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ANNO III. ET IHL.

EDVARDI SEXTI.

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Actes made

*in the Session of this present
Parliament, holden upon prorogation
at Westminter, the xiiij. day of Novem-
ber, in the thirde yere of the reigne of
our moste dread Soueraigne Lorde
Edwarde the sixt by the grace of God
King of England, Fraunce, & Ireland,
Defendour of the faith, & of the Church
of Englands, and also of Ireland, in
earth the Supreme head: and there
continued & kept to the first day
of Februarie, in the iiii. yere
of the raigne of our said
Soueraigne Lorde
as followeth.*

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¶ The first Chapiter:



Here in the Parliament holdē at westminster in the xxxvij. yere of the raigne of the most excellent prince of famous memoie Kinge Henry the viij. it was enacted that no person, or persons should from the makinge of the said act be nominated, & appoynted to thoffice or offices of the Custos rotulorum, within any shire of this realme of England wales, or other the kings dominions, marches or territories of the same, but such as should haue a bill signed with the kings hand for the same, which bill signed, should be a sufficient warrant by authoritie of the said act, to the Lord Chauncellour of England, & Lord keeper of the great seale, for þ time being, to make from time to time, commission or commissions, assigning and authorising therby, the same person to be Custos rotulorum, until þ king had by another bil assigned with his owne hand appointed, & ordered another person, to haue, occupie, and exercise the same office of Custos rotulorum, and that the said person appointed, and assigned to be Custos rotulorum, as is abovesaid, should & might occupy, exercise, & enioy the said office of Custos rotulorum, by him selfe or by his sufficient deputie learned in the lawes of this realme, & meete & hable to supplie the sayd office, accordinge to the tenour of the sayed graunt, or commission, as by the same act among other thinges more at large it doth, & may appere. Synce the making of which statute diuers and many persons being in the said offices of Custos rotulorum, in diuers shires of the realme, haue departed this present lyfe, & dyed, so that there hath not come to the handes of the chauncelloz of Englande, or Lord keeper of the great seale, any bill, or billes assigned with the kings maiesties hand for the naming, appointing, or assigning of any new Custos rotulorum in the same shires, þ said offices haue remained void for a long tyme, to þ great let of Justice, And also for that it shalbe very tedious, & much to the molesting of the kings maiestie wþ enery auoidance of such Custos rotulorū, by death or other wise, to moue his maiestie for þ signing of billes for other persons to be elected, named, chosen, & appointed to supplie the said offices of Custos rotulorū, being void. And for þ the nominatio & appointing of þ said office of Custos rotulorum, long time before þ

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making of the said Statute last before rehearsed byd appertayne & belong to the office of the Chauncellour of England, or Lord keeper of the great seale for the time being: Be it therefore enacted by the king our soueraigne lord, with the assent of the Lords spiritual and temporal, & the Commons of this present parliament assembled, & by the auctoritie of the same: that the Chauncellour of England, or Lord keeper of the great seale, for the time being, shall at al time & tymes hereafter, and from time to time about any byl or billes to be assigned with the kings hand, name, elect, assigne, & appoint such person, & persons to be Custos rotulorum, within every shire of this realme of England, Wales, & other the kings dominions, marches, & territories of the same, or by any of them, as by the discretion of the saide Lord Chauncellour, or Lord keeper of the great seale, for the time being, shalbe thought hable, and mete to haue and exercise the same. And the said person & persons, so to be appointed, elected, named, & assigned by the said Lord Chauncellour, or Lord keeper of the great seale for the time being, shal and may occupie exercise, & enioy the same office of Custos rotulorum, by him selfe, or by his sufficient deputie, or Deputies, in as ample, and large maner & forme, as if the said act had neuer bene had ne made, the before rehearsed act, or any thing therein contained to the contrary hereof in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided alway, and bee it enacted by the auctoritie aforesayd, that all such as now have any of the said offices of Custos rotulorum, by the kings letters patentes, or commission to them, or any of them made, shal and may enioy, haue, and exercise their said offices by vertue of the same letters patentes, or commission, by him selfe or his sufficient and hable deputie, instructed in the lawes of this realme, any thing in this present act, had or made to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided also that it be enacted by the auctoritie aforesayd, that the Archebishop of Yorke, the bishop of Durham, the bishop of Ely, and every of their successors, the Chancelour of the Duchy of Lancaster for the time being, and al and every person & persons, corporations, and bodies incorporated, to whose the kings maiestie, or any of his noble progenitours by his, or their letters patentes, or Acte of parliament, have geven and graunted any libertie and auctoritie, or other wise haue auctoritie by other lawfull meanes or waies, to ordeine, make, & constitute, any of the said officers of Custos rotulorum within any county palatine, or other place, shall & may haue, & enioie the same libertie, & auctoritie, according as they haue had & enioied the same, any thing in this present act, had or made, to the contrary notwithstanding.

¶ The ii. Chapter.

¶ In Act for the true making of wollen clothes.

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Disturbance by the sleight & subtilie making of clothes and colours within diuers partes of this realme now of late practised, & used, not only great iniuries & damages hath growen to this same realme, but also the kings maiesties faithful & true subjects have sustained great losse in the vse, and wearing of the same clothes, so sleightly & subtilly made, for cause by great petition wherof be it ordeined, & enacted by the kings most excellent maiestie, in the assent of the lordes spirituall & temporall, & the commons in this present parliament assembled, & by the authority of the same, that euery clothier and clothmaker, shal from the feast of the annunciation of our Lady next comming, set his seale of lead to his cloth, declaring thereby the iust lengthes therof to be tryed by the water. And that no person shal from þ said feast straigne, or stretch any set clothes, or any other cloth aboue one yard & a halfe in length, and a quarter of a yard in bredth, vnder paine to forfeit xl.s. for euery default. And þ no person, nor persons, shal frō the said feast, vpon paine last before remembred, put to sale any cloth, which when it shalbe wet, shal shrinke more then one yard & a halfe in al the length, & a quarter of a yard in the bredth. And that narrower streites, & kersyes, shal not from the said feast be stretched, aboue a yard in length, & a quarter of a yard in bredth, vnder the paine for euery default therein xx.s. nor shall put to sale any cloth, narrower, streit or kersye þ pieces wherof being wet, shal shrink more then after þ the seueral rates in the whole piece, vpon paine to forfeit for euery such offence xx.s. And further that no person or persons occupiinge the feat of dying, shal dye or alter into colours, or cause to be dyed, or altered into colours, any wollen clothes, as by one blewes, plukes, tawnyes, or violetttes, except the same wollen clothes bee perfectlye boyled, greyned or maddered vnder the woode, & shot with good and sufficient corke, or orchal after a due, substantiall, & sufficient maner of workmanship, according to the iust workmanship in time past used, vpon payne for euery default to forfeit xx.s. nor þ any pson shal from the said feast dye any woll to be conuerted into cloth called russet, musters, marbles, grapes, ropes, & such like colours, or to bee conuerted, & made into hattes or cappes, vnles the same woll be perfectlye woaded, boyled, & maddered according to the true & auncient vsage, vpon the paine of forfeiture for the false dyinge of euery such cloth, or of asmuch wooll, as shal serue for the making of euery cloth contrary to the true meaning therof xl.s. & shal dye with base lill to chynge it to make a false colour in cloth nor wol, hattes, nor cappes vpon paine for euery default to forfeit xx.s.

And that no person, or persons, shal after þ said feast put any flockes chalyke, flower, or sterche, or any other deceivable thing, vpon any set cloth, or vnder any other cloth, or clothes coloured, or uncoloured, vnder

sein to forfeit for every such offence. And that no person shall
 from the said feast, occupy any pious or religious house in the making
 of any sort of cloth, or any manner of woollen cloth, by any means to be sold
 at well & said yarn cardes, or picardes, or also the same sort of cloth, for
 every such offence. And any person that from the said feast sell any
 cloth by any little measure then after the same contentment, to be
 noted and measured by the yard, adding to every yard one yard of
 the role, according to the statute made in the fifth year of the reign of
 the most worthy prince of most famous memory King Henry the
 father but our sovereign. And the King that now is, hath prims
 to forfeit for every yard of cloth, so put to sale, by any other little
 measure, by s. viij. d. And that no person shall from the said feast, put
 to sale here within the realm, either by retale, or other wise, any cloth
 being pressed to be occupied, and worn here within the realm of
 England, Wales, or Ireland, upon pain of forfeiture of the same
 cloth, or the value thereof that have been so pressed, and put to sale as
 is said before rehearsed, on s. viij. d. And for the better executing of this statute, be it enacted by the
 authority of the said King, that every town, village, or hamlet, being not incorpo-
 rate, where any cloth shall be made or sold, the Justice of peace of
 the same shire where any such town, village or hamlet is, or two of
 the at the least, or every city, borough, or town corporate, the head
 officer or officers of every the same city, borough, or town corporate
 together with the warden of the clothworkers, or two of them at the
 least, shall have full power, authority, by virtue of this act once a
 year to convene, & call before them by their precept, or other wise
 it. iij. vi. viij. or more, as they shall think good by their discretion of
 most honest, discrete & indifferent men of every such city, borough,
 town, village or hamlet, where any cloth shall be made, or sold, a them
 shall constitute, or ordain, & appoint to be overseers for one whole year
 then next following within the city, borough, town, village, or hamlet,
 where the same overseers shall be dwelling, charging the also upon
 their othes, & as they do tender thons of the realm, & the common
 weith of the same, & they do endeavour them selves for yere, as much
 as in them shall be to see that this statute be truly observed & kept within
 limits of their charge, in every part thereof. And the same overseers
 or ii. of them, shall every quarter of the said yere at the least, or so oft
 as neede shall require by their discretions, by force hereof, visit & goe
 into every clothiers, drapers, clothworkers, dyers & pressors houses
 shoppes & other places, where cloth, or dyed wool shall be, & there to
 make due search & to view the clothes & woollens, made, or dyed, or
 remaining to be sold & to searche & try as well whether the said clothes,
 be dyed, or streigned, or falsly dyed, as also of all other the defaults
 before specified, committed or don, contrary to the true meaning of this
 act. And if upon the search, the clothes be found dyed or streigned,

or the cloth, or wooll, or fells dyed, or coloured, or any other of the said
 fabrics committed, or done contrary to the true meaning of this sta-
 tute: That then the said several forfeitures to encur by the par-
 tie, or parties, which shal offend in the same, or in any of them: thone
 halfe of all which forfeitures to be unto the king our soueraigne lord
 his heires or successours, & thother halfe to such of the said ouerseers,
 as both bynde the sayd defaults, or causes of forfeitures, & that will
 sue for the same in anye of the kings courtes of records, or before the
 Justices of peace, within any such citie, borough, or towne corporate,
 or before the Justices of peace within any shire, where any such for-
 feitures shalbe had out of any citie or towne corporate, the same suits
 to be pursued by bill, plaint, action of debt, information, or other wise,
 & in which suit no waiger of law, essoine, or protection shalbe allowed
 for the defendant. And if the said ouerseers shalbe negligent, & wyl
 not sue for the same forfeitures, by the space of one halfe yeare next
 after the cause of the same forfeitures committed, & done, that then
 thone halfe of the same forfeitures to be unto our said soueraigne
 Lord the king, his heires or successours, & thother halfe to him which
 will sue for the same, as is aforesaid, within one other halfe yeare next af-
 ter such default be had by the said ouerseers. And if any of the sayd
 persons so commaunded to appeare to be made ouerseers, as is aforesaid,
 and hauing no reasonable excuse, do refuse to come, and to take
 vpon him, or them to be an ouerseer, as is aforesaid, that then euery
 such person refusing, & hauing no reasonable excuse so to do, to for-
 feyt for euery such refusing &c. thone halfe thereof to be to the king
 our said Soueraigne, his heires or successours, and the other halfe
 to the Justices of peace, or other head officer or officers, by whose
 commaundement he was commaunded to appeare, or to be an ouer-
 seer, and the same ouerseer so offending to remaine in the warde of
 the Shirife, vntil such time, as hee had made payment of the sayd
 forfeiture, or otherwise put in sufficient bonde for the satisfaction of
 the same. And if the same ouerseers, or two of the at the least, do not
 once enery quarter of the yeare, make due search for the true execu-
 ting of this statute: that then euery of the said ouerseers, to forfeyt
 for euery such default &c. thone halfe to be to the kings highnesse,
 his heires or successours, and the other halfe to him that will sue for
 the same by bill, plaint, action of debt, information, or other wise. In
 which suit, no essoigne, or protection shalbe allowed for the defen-
 dant. And if the said ouerseers shalbe interrupted, and not suffered to
 enter into the said houses, shoppes, or other places, where anye such
 clothes, or wooll shalbe made, or dyed, or any other of the said defaults
 shal happen to be done or committed, there to make serch for the better
 executing of this statute, that then euery one that so shall make anye
 such interruption, shal forfeyt &c. li. the one halfe of which forfeitures
 to be to our said soueraigne lord the king, his heires or successours,
 and

¶ thother halfe thereof to be to the said ouerliffers; to whom any such interruption shalbe made, and the same to be obtained, & pursued for in such manner and forme, as before in this act is expressed for the recovery of other of the said forfeitures. And it is enacted by thanchourty aforesaid, that it shal, & may be lawful to every person and persons, to put to sale any cloth or clothes, made, dyed, or prest, which before the said feast of the Annunciation of our Lady shalbe made, dyed, or prest, at any time within one yere next after the said feast of the Annunciation of our Lady, to wiche the Mayor, or his Deputie, or other head officer in any such city, borough, towne, village, or hamlet, do put some notorious marke to every such cloth, whereby the same may be knowen to be made before the said feast of the Purification of our Lady next commynge.

¶ It is also enacted, that no manner of person, shal take any advantage of any of the sayd forfeitures, by reason of this statute, vnllesse the same person both comette his suit within one yere next after the sayd offences, and forfeitures committed.

¶ And to the effect that all such cloths as shalbe made wthin this realme; or any other of the kings dominions after the sayd feast shalbe the better knowen from the other clothes made before the same tyme; Be it therfore enacted by thanchourtie aforesaid, that every clothier shal before such time, as he shal put his cloth to sale, being made after the said feast, cause every cloth to be marked with a letter of E, crowned, wrought in þ cloth, vpon paine of forfeiture for every cloth so being solde, & not marked with the said letter E, by any such clothier xx.s. the one halfe of which forfeiture to bee to our soueraygne Lord the king, his heires or successours, & thother halfe to him that wil sue for the same in manner, & forme before rehearsed.

¶ The iij. Chapter.

¶ An Acte concerning the improvements of commons and wast groundes.



¶ Here in the parliament holde at Werts in the xx. yere of the reigne of king Henry the third, it is conteyned þ for because many great me of Englad which had enfeoffed knyghts, and other their free tenants of small tenements in their great manours did complaine that they might not make their profits of þ residue of their manours, as of wast woods & pastures, where þ some feoffees had sufficient pasture, as much as beloged vnto their tenements, it was pvided & graunted, þ whatsoener psons so enfeoffed, brought assise of novel disseisin of their coms of pasture, & before þ iudices it were recognised, þ they had as much pasture, as did suffice vnto their tenements, & þ they had free in

free ingresse, & egressse into, & fro their tenements vnto their pasture & then they should therewith be contented, & that they, vpon whom they had cōplained, should depart quiet with that, that they might make their profit of their landes, wastes, woodes & pastures. And if it were said & they had not sufficient pasture, or sufficient ingresse, & egressse, as much as doth belong vnto their tenements, as is abovesayd & then the trueth therof should be enquired by Assise: & if it were recognised by the assise, that their ingresse & egressse were in any thing letted by the same deforciantours, or that they had not sufficient pasture & sufficient ingresse & egressse, as is abovesaid, & then they should recouer their seisin by view of & iurours, so that by the discretion, & othe of them, the cōplainants should haue sufficient pasture, and sufficient ingresse and egressse, in fourme aforesaid, & that the disseisors should be in amerciamment of the king, & should paye Damages, as they were wont to do before the same prouision. And if it were recognised by the assise, & the complainants had sufficient pasture with free ingresse, & egressse, as is aboue mentioned, & then the other might lawfully do their profite of the residue, and should go quite from the same assise, as in the said estatut more plainely appeareth.

And where also in & parliamt holden at westminster, after Easter, the xiiij. yere of the reigne of king Edward the first, it was ordeined that where in the statute made at Werton, it was agreed, that lordes of wastes, woodes, & pastures might approue them selues of their wastes, woodes, & pastures, notwithstanding the gainsaying, & contradiction of their tenants, whiles the same tenants had sufficient pasture to their tenements, with free ingresse, and egressse into, & from the same. And for that no mēciō was made betwene neighbour & neighbour, many Lordes of wastes, woods & pastures, vnto & time were let by contradiction, or gainsaying of neighbours, hauing sufficient pasture. And forasmuch as foreine tenants haue no greater right of cōmoning in the wood, wast, or pasture of any lord then the proper tenants of the same lord, it was from thenceforth ordeined, that the said statute prouided at Werton, betwene the lord and his tenants, should haue place from thenceforth betweene the Lordes of wastes, woodes, & pastures, & neighbours, sauing sufficient pasture to their men & neighbours, so that the lordes of the same wast, wastes, woodes & pastures may approue them selues of the residue, & that the same should be obserued of thē that claime pasture, as pertainyng to their tenants. But yf any man clayme cōmon of pasture by special seoffement or graunt, to a certein nūber of beasts, or otherwise, thē of cōmon right he ought to haue it. Where covenant doth abrogate the law, he shal haue such recouerie, as hee ought to haue by fourme of the graunt to him made. And & by occasion of a windmil, sheepehouse, dairy, augmetatio, or encrease of any court necessary, or curtilage, from thenceforth, no man should be greued

ried by assise of nouel disseisin, of combe of pasture. And for as much as it happeneth sometime that some mē hauing right to approue to him selfe, hath made, or leuied a dicke or a hedge, & other by night, or such other time, when they beleue their dede should not be knowe, do, or wil cast downe the same dicke, or hedge, and that it cannot be knowen by verdict of assise, or iurie, who did cast downe the same dicke or hedge nor the men of the next towne will endite them that be guilty of the same dedes, then the next towne adioining about the same shalbe destreigned to leuie, and make by the same dicke, or hedge, at their proper costes, & to peldē damages, as in the said estatute amongst other thinges more plainely appareth.

And forasmuch as the aforesaide estatutes beene thought beneficiall for the combe wealth of this realme of Englad. Be it enacted by the king our Soueraigne Lorde, with the assent of the Lordes spirituall, and tempozal, and the comons in this present parliamēt assembled, and by the aucthoritie of the same, that all and every the saide statutes, and all branches, clauses, articles, sentences, matters, and pointes contained, and specified in them, and euery of the nowe not repealed, shal from henceforth be good and effectual, and also stand, & be in their full strength, force, and effect.

And because that such persons as shal bring assise of Nouel disseisin vpon the said estatutes, or vpon any of them, shal by force of the same estatute, recover but only single damages, which is thought to be a small recompence for the same. Therefore be it enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that such person, and persons, as shal at any time hereafter bring assise vpon any branche, or article of the sayd estatutes, or any of them, & haue iudgement to recover, shal haue his or their damages trebled by the iudgement of the court, where such assise & iudgement shalbe had.

And where in diuers countreies of this realme, there hath beene buylded vpon Commons, or wast groundes, certaine necessary houses with ground, vnder the quantitie of three acres, and not aboue three acres, enclosed to, and with the same, and in some place there is enclosed a garden, orchard, or pond, out of, or in suche wastes, or groundes, which exceede not the quantitie of two acres, or thereabouts, which doth no hurt, and yet is much comoditie to the owner thereof, & to others: Be it therefore enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaide, that the said two former actes, nor any of the m, nor anie thing in them contained, shal extend to any such house, ground, or other thing so inclosed, as is last herein before mencioned, ne shal cause any person or persons, to lose, or forfeit any plane, damage, or penalte for the same.

Provided alwaies, and be it enacted, that if anie such house hath bene heretofore buylded vpon anie such wast ground, as is aforesaide, & that there be aboue the number of three acres enclosed to y same,

same, that then the said house, and three acres parcel of the same enclosure, shall still remaine, stande, abide, and continue in like, and the same fourme and degree, as it now doth, & that the overplus of the said three acres so enclosed, as is aforesaid, shall & may be laide open by the better, or owners of the same waies, any thing in this act, or in any of the sayed former actes, to the contrarie in any wise notwithstanding.

The iiii. Chapter.

An Acte concerning grauntes, and giftes made by patentees out of letters patents.



Here the right noble, and famous king of full worthy memory king Henry the eight, father to our most dread, and now natural souveraigne liege Lord, suchens the fourteenth day of february, in the xxvi. yere of his late raigne, & also his kinges most excellent Maiesty, by their severall letters patents, have given, graunted bargained, solde, and exchaunged, to, and with divers and sundry the subiects of this realme, bodie politique and corporate in fee simple, fee taile, for terme of life, in yeares, divers honours, castels, manours, lands, tenementes, and other hereditamentes, and offices: After, and since which grauntes, bargaines, sales, and exchaunges, divers of the said patentees, their heires, successours, or assignes, have bargained, solde, given, exchaunged, or demised divers particuler parts, parcels, or portions of the said honours, castels, manours, landes, tenementes, hereditamentes, and offices, or other thinges thereunto appertaining, or belonging to other person or persons, bodies politique or corporate, that is to say, to some of them in fee simple, to some other in fee taile, for terme of life, or yeares, or other wise. And after the same patentees for considerations them moving, have surrendered, or given by their said letters patentes into the Chaucerie, or otherwise the same letters patentes have bene forfayted by attainder, lost, cancelled, embeslled, or by other waies or meanes have come to the handes of the kynges Maiesty his late father. And thereupon oft tymes the enrolment of the same hath bene made worde, and frustrate, sometime in part, and sometime in the whole, by reason whereof, such persons, bodies politique or corporate, as have had interest or title, in or to the same castels, manours or particuler portions, or parcelles of the same so to them given, and graunted, have bene in times past, and in tyme to come are like to be disherited, or in daunger of losse of their interest, in, or to the same to their no litle hinderance, & peril: for remedy whereof, be it ordained, established, and enacted by thauthouritie of this present parliament that

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that all & every pson or psons, bodys politike or corporate, which lawfully shal, or may claime by force of any patent, or patents made sithe the fourteenth day of February, or hereafter to be made by the kinges maiestie, his heires or successours, kings of this realme, or by any of them, and all other that now haue, or hereafter shal happen to haue any good or lawfull estate, right, title, rent, profite, interest, or possession, of, in, to, or out of any honours, manours, lands, tenementz hereditaments, or offices, or of other things, to any of the premises appertayninge or belonging, or to anye part, parcell, or member of them, or any of them, by, from, or vnder any such patent, or patents, or any of them, or by, from, or vnder the heires, successours, or assignes of them, or any of them, or by, from, or vnder the state of anye others, which had, haue, or hereafter shal haue the state, title, or interest, of any such patent, or patents, or by any other means vnder the date of such letters patents, shal & may at all times hereafter, in any the kinges courtes, his heires, or successours, and els where, by vertue of this present act, make, and conueigh vnto them selfe title by way of declaration, plaint, answere, title, barre, or other wise, as well against the kinges highnes, his heires, & successours, and every of them, as against any other pson or psons, vnto the said honours, castles, manours, lands, tenementes, offices, & other the premises, or any part, or parcell of the same, vnto them, or anye their predecessours, or successours, or others whose estate they haue in the same, by, fro, or vnder the said patents, or any of them, or theirs, successours, or assignes of any of them, or otherwise, vnder the date of the said letters patents, compiled & contained in any exemplification, or constat thereof made, or to be made, by the shewing forth of the said exemplification, or constat of the rolle, or of so much thereof, as shal serue for the matter in variance, vnder the great scale of Englande. And the same exemplification, or constat of the said enrolment so (as is aforesaid) pleaded, & shewed, shalbe of like, & of same force & effect, to all intents, & constructions, in the lawe, as the said first letters patents were and should be of, if the same were or should be pleaded or shewed.

The v. Chapter.

An Acte for the punishment of unlawful assemblies, and rising of the kings subjects.



Rasomuch as it is most necessary in a common wealth to prouide that tranquillitie & peace may be continued in this realme, & that althings being contrary therunto, may by foresight be eschewed, therefore it is ordeined & enacted, by the king our soueraigne Lord, with the assent of the Lordes & commones of this present Parliament assembled, and by the authoritie of the same, that if any

any persons to the number of xii. or above, being assembled together at any time, after the xii. day of February next commencing, shall intend, go about, practise, or put in use, with force of armes; unlawfully, &c. of their own authority, to murder, kill, slay, take, or imprison, any of the Kinges most honorable private counsaile; or unlawfully to alter or change any lawes made, or established by the Kinges, by authority of parliament, or any other lawes or statutes of the realm, or any of the same; the same number of xii. or above, being commanded or required, by the Justice of the Peace, or by any Justice of peace of the same shire, or by the Mayor, Bailiff, Justices of peace, or Bailiffs, of any city, borough, or town, or corporate, whereby such assembly shall be unlawfully had, or made, by proclamation in the Kings name, to retire, & repair to their own houses, habitations, or places, to which they came, and they, or any of them, notwithstanding such proclamation shall remaine, or make their abode, or continue together, by the space of an whole houre, after such commandment, or request, made by proclamation, or otherwise, that lawfully, in forcible & riotous manner attempt to do, or put in use, any the things above specified: That then all well every such abode, or continuing together, as every such act or offence, that after such proclamation, commandment, or request had or made, shall attempt to be done, perpetrated, or put in use by any persons, being of the said number of xii. or above, shall be judged high treason, in all such things as persons, &c. shall make their abode, or continue together, or shall attempt to commit any such act, and the offenders therein, their aiders, abettors, and procurers, to be adjudged Treasoners to the King and the realm, and shall suffer execution of death, as in case of high treason, &c. And furthermore be enacted, ordained, and established, by the authority aforesaid, that if any persons to the said number of xii. or above, after the said xii. day of February, shall intend, go about, practise, or put in use, in manner and forme aforesaid, to overthrow, cutt break, cast downe, or digge by pales, hedges, ditches, or other enclosure of any Parkes, Parks, or other grounds, or ground inclosed; or the banks of any fische ponds or pools, or any Conduites for water, or some heades, or Conduit pipes having course of water, to the intent that the same or any of them, the course should remaine open, not inclosed or walled, or unlawfully to have common, or a way in said Parkes, Parks, or other grounds, or ground inclosed, as in any of the, or to destroy the same, in any manner of parkes or parke, or any warrens or warrens of Conies, or any warrenhouses, or any fish in any pond or pool, or to pull or cutt downe any houses, barnes, milles, or barnes, or to burne any stacks of corn or graine, or to abate, default, or diminish the rentes or pecy value of any Mannors, Landes, or tenementes, or the price of any victuall; Cotte, or Grayne, or any

the space of two houres that then every perſon, ſo being willingly aſſembled in ſome maner ſo continuing by the ſpace of two houres, ſhall be adjudged a traitour to the king, & to the realme, & ſhall ſuffre execution of death as in caſe of high treason.

And alſo, that if any wife, or ſervant of any of the ſame perſons, or any other perſon to whatſoever, ſhall willingly, & without compulſion bring, ſend, deliver, or conveigh any money, harness, artillery, weapon, meate, drinke, or other victual, to any perſon, or perſons, ſo being aſſembled as is aforeſaid, during ſuch time, as he or they ſhall ſo be aſſembled, or be together, as is aforeſaid: that the every ſuch ſervant, or other perſon ſo bringing, ſending, delivering, or conveighing any money, harness, artillery, weapon, meate, drinke, or victual to the ſame perſons, ſo being aſſembled together in ſome maner, or to any of them ſhall be adjudged a traitour to the king, & to the realme, and ſhall ſuffre execution of death, as in caſe of high treason.

And furthermore it is enacted & enacted by the ſaith ſaid aboveſaid, that every perſon, that at any time hereafter ſhall be attainted, of or for any of the treasons, or treaſons aboveſpecified, ſhall upon his ſaid attainder, forfeit his goods, chattels, hereditaries, for terme of life, and alſo reverſe, lands, tenements, & other hereditaries, in like maner and ſort, as any perſon attainted of felony, only ſhould, or ought to forfeit, by the common law of the realme, and not otherwiſe: that unto ſay the king to have the reverſe, and have a moiety of ſuch lands and tenements, ſhould any perſon ſo attainted, ſhall at the time of the treason committed, or at any time after, have an eſtate of freſimple, and alſo the goods and chattels, real and perſonall, and that the lord, or lords, to whom the ſaid lands, and tenements, or any part thereof ſhall be holden do have, and enjoy the lands, and tenements, holden of him, or them ſo long, in ſuch ſort, maner and ſort, as in caſe of felony, and alſo the reverſe, as the common law. And that every perſon, that at any time hereafter ſhall be attainted, of any of theſe treasons aforeſaid, ſhall forfeit the lands, and tenements, and other hereditaries, which he ſhall have, or ſhall have in fee, or for terme of life, or years, at the time of ſuch treason committed, or at any time after, during his life, and alſo the reverſe, unleſſe the perſon ſo attainted, ſhall be thereof ſworn in his deſcent, as of fee, at the time of ſuch treason committed, or at any time after, and ſhall after the deceaſe of the ſame perſon, ſo attainted, al and ſingular ſuch perſon and perſons, al ſhould have had and enjoyed ſuch lands, tenements, and other hereditaries, as any perſon, that at any time hereafter ſhall be attainted, of or for any treason aboveſpecified, ſhall forfeit to be ſeized of his eſtate in fee, or for terme of life, at the time of any ſuch treason committed, or at any time after, ſhall after the death of the ſame perſon, that ſo ſhall ſort to be attainted, have & enjoy

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them so to doe, a greater number of euil disposed persons, did come & toyne themselves to the said smal nūbre, wherby the same euil disposed perid is, toke vpon them such boldnes, that they would not be reduced to obedience, without much bloudshedding, to the great dainger of þe kings maiesties perid, where if the kings louing subiects durst haue takē vpon them to haue suppressed them at the beginning, such inconuenience and bloudshed should not haue followed: Therefore it is also ordeined, and enacted, by the auctoritie aforesaid, that if any persons, aboue the number of two, that at any time, after þe said xij. day of february, shalbe vnlawfully, and of their own auctoritie, assembled together, to the ende with force of armes, to do, practise, or put in use any of the things aboue mentioned, þe then it shalbe lawfull to euery Justice of peace, & to euery shirife in any countie, being within the kings dominions, and to euery Shaior, bailife, and other head officer of any citie, or towne corporate, for the time he shalbe in office, or any other person or persons, hauing the kings commission, or letters from his highnes, or his priuy counsaill, aswel to raise and assemble the kings louing subiectes, in maner of warre to be arraied, in such great numbere as he or they then shal thinke mete or able, to þe intent by violence and strength to suppress, apprehend, and take þe said perid, that so shalbe vnlawfully assembled. And þe if þe said persons, so vnlawfully assembled, after such commandement or request by proclamation, or other wise made, shal continue together, & not endeavour themselves to retourn towards theire habitacions, houses or places, from whence they com, in such short time, as they may conueniently þe it shalbe lawfull to euery Justice of peace, shirife, & also to euery Shaior, bailife, and other head officer of any citie, or towne corporate, and to euery other person, hauing auctoritie, as is aforesaid, after such commandement, or request by proclamation made, and to such persons, as shalbe assembled, with any Justice of peace, or shirife, or with any Shaior, bailife, or other head officer of any citie, or towne corporate, & with euery other person, hauing auctoritie, as is aforesaid, to suppress, apprehend, & take those persones, so vnlawfully assembled, whiche after such request made, shall continue together, & not endeavour themselves to retorne towards their habitacions, or places from whence they came: And that if the said persons, so vnlawfully assembled together, or any of them shal fortū to be killed, slain, maimed, or hurt, in or about the suppressing or taking of them: that then euery such Justice of peace, shirife, Shaior, bailife, and other head officer, and euery other personne hauing auctoritie as is aforesaid, and all and singuler persones, by him or them assembled, shall bee free, discharged, & unpunishable, aswell against the kynge, as against all and euery other personne and persones, of, for, or concerning the killing, slaying, maiming, and hurting:

of any person or persons, so unlawfully assembled, & shall fortune to be killed, slaine, maimed, or hurt, about, or by occasiō of suppressing or taking of them.

And furthermore, be it enacted, by auctoritie aforesaid, & all a curty copyholder, or customary holder, being artificer, husbandman or labourer, & being of the age of xviij. yerres, or more, & vnder the age of lx. yerres, not sicke, impotent, lame, maimed, ne hauinge any other iust, or reasonable excuse, or cause to the contrary, and being required by the shirife, Justice or Justices of peace, or other hauing auctoritie by this act, or by commission, or letters, as is at oure laud in that behalfe, (they declaring their said auctoritie,) or being required by the immediat lord or lordes of whome such copyholds, or customary holds then shalbe holden to serue the kings maiestie for any cause about rehearsed, & refuse so to do, shal onely during the life of such person or persons so refusing, forfeit & lose to his or their lord or lordes of whome such copy or customary holds then shalbe immediatly holden, & should be holden, during the life of such person or persons so refusing, in case he or they had not so refused, al their copyholds, & customary holds. And it shalbe lawful to euery such lord or lordes their heirs or assignes, of whom such copyholds or customary holds shalbe immediatly holden, & should haue been holden in case such person or persons had not so refused, by vertue of this present act to enter and take into his, or their hands and possession, al such copyholds, and customary holds so holden of them, or any of them immediatly: & to retaine the same during only the life of euery such offender or offendours, in such maner and forme, as he or they should haue had, the rents or seruices of such copyholde or customaryholde in case such person or persons so refusing had not refused. And that all & euery fermour being a yoman, husbandman, artificer, or labourer, & being of the age of xviij. yerres or more, and vnder the age of lx. yerres, not sicke, impotent, lame, maimed, ne hauing any other iust or reasonable excuse, or cause to the contrary, & being required by the shirif Justice, or Justices of the peace, or other hauing auctoritie by this act, or by commission or letters as is aforesaid, in this behalfe (they declaring their said auctoritie) or being required by their landlord, or landlordes, for the time being, to whome the rents of such fermes shalbe then rising, coming, or growing, to serue the kings maiestie, for any cause about rehearsed, and refuse so to do, shal during onely the life of such fermour or fermoures so refusing, forfeit and lose to suche landlord and landlordes, as he oulde haue hadde the rents of suche fermoures, during the life and yerres of such person or personnes so refusing, al their said fermes. And that it shalbe lawful to euery suche Landlord and Landlordes, their heirs and assignes, to whome the rents of such fermes

fermes should haue bene due, duringe the life of such person, or persons so refusing, in case such person or personnes had not so refused, by vertue of this present act, to enter and take into his or their hands or possession all such fermes, & to retene the same, during onely the life of euery such offendour or offendours. & provided alwaies, and be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, that after the death of euery such copyholder, customary holder, or fermour, as so shall offend, and forfeit any of their said copyholdes, customary holdes, or fermes, as is aforesaid, that then at & euery such person, and persons, as should or ought to haue had & said copyholdes, customary holdes, or fermes, after, or by the death of such copyholder, customary holder, or fermour, in case such copyholder, customary holder, or fermour, had not so offended ne forfeited, shal & may haue the same copyholdes, customary holdes, and fermes, by entree, action, admission, or otherwise, in like manner, fourme, & condition, & by such waies & meanes, as they & euery of them should, might, or ought to haue had, if no such forfeiture or offence had bene had, done, or committed.

And furthermore it is ordeined & enacted, by the authority aforesaid, that if any person or persons, after the said vii. day of February, by open worde or dede, shall procure, moue, or stirre any other person or persons to arise, or make any trayterous or rebellious assemble, to the intent to do, exercise, or put in practice any of the things aboue mentioned: that then euery person so procuring, mouing or stirring anie other, shal therfore be deemed, and aduinged a felon, & suffer paines of death, and forfeit his goods, chattels, landes, and tenementes, as in cases of felony, & shall also lose the benefite of his clergy and sanctuary.

And also be it further enacted, by the authority aforesaid, that if any person or persons, which at any time after the said day, shalbe spoke vnto, moued, or stirred, to make any tumultuous, insurrection, or unlawful assemble for any of the intents aboue mentioned, and do not within xiiij. houres next after he, or they shalbe so spoken vnto, moued or stirred (vntesse hee shall haue a good & reasonable cause of excuse) declare & same to one Justice of peace, or shirife of the said countie, or to the Shalor, shirifes, baille or bailiffes, or other head officer of any citie, or towne corporate, where such speaking, mouing, or stirring shalbe had, shal suffer imprisonment, until hee shalbe discharged, by three Justices of peace, of the same shire, where the offence shalbe, wherof one of the said Justices shalbe of the Quorum.

And it is ordeined & enacted by the authority aforesaid, that if any person or persons, being about the age of xviij. yeres, and under the age of li. yeres, beinge able to serue, and not sick, lame, or impotent, shalbe requited by any Justice of peace, or any shirife of any county, where any such assembly shalbe, or by any Shalor, baille, or other

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other head officer, of any citie, borough, or towne corporate, or by any other, by the commaundment of any such Justice of peace, Shirefe, Maior, bayliffe, or other head officer, to go to him or the, to suppress the persons unlawfully assembled in maner and forme aforesayde, that then every person so being able and required, do willingly and obstinately refuse so to doe, shall suffre imprisonment of his bodie for one yere without baile or mainprise, & make fine & reasonable, at the kings will and pleasure.

Provided also, that it is enacted, by the authoritie aforesaid, that if the king shal by his letters patents make any lieutenant, in any countie or countie of this realme, for the suppressing of any commotion, rebellion, or unlawful assembly: that then all Justices of peace, of every such countie, and the Shirefes, and Shirefe of the same, as all Maiors, Bailifes, & other head officers, and all inhabitants & subjects, of any countie, citie, borough, or towne corporate, within every such countie, shall upon the declaration of the said letters patents, & request made, be bounde to geue attendaunce, upon the same lieutenant, to suppress any commotion, rebellion, or unlawful assembly whicse he or they, being so required, have any reasonable excuse, for his nor attendaunce, bypon payne of imprisonment of one whole yere.

And be it further enacted, by the authoritie aforesaid, that the order and forme of the proclamations, that shalbe made by the authoritie of this act, shalbe as hereafter followeth, or with the like order, & wordes in effect, that is to say, the Justice or other person authorized by this act, to make the said proclamations, shall make or cause to be made an Oyes, & after that, shal openly pronounce, or cause to be pronounced these wordes, or like in effect. The king our soveraigne lord, chargeth & commaundeth all persons being assembled immediately to disperse them selves, & peaceably to depart to their habitations or to their lawfull business, upon the paines contained in the acte, lately made against unlawfull, and rebellious assemblies. And God save the king.

Provided also, that be it enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that if any person or persons, do, or shal molest, let, hinder, or hurt, any person or persons, that shal proclaime, or go to proclaime, according to the proclamation and order made in the statute aforesaid, tobere by such proclamation shal not be made: that the said and every such person and persons, so molesting, letting, hindring, or hurting, and all and every such person and personnes, offendour or offendoures, to whom any such proclamation or proclamations shoud, or ought to be made, to the extent aforesaid, shall incurre, and be in like danger, and suffer like paine or paynes, and forfeitures, as aforesaid, in every of these degrees, as though the proclamation had bene made,

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Sadler, malmaker, bottlemaker, or any other artificer, using tanned leather in their art, is, or shall be able, at any time, at any instant to serve the kinges maiestie, his nobles, lordes, & commons, either of bootes, shoes, girdels, Saddles, barebides, males, colles, potters, or other things made of leather, for that the most part of the artificers aforesaid, be ponne me, not alwaies able to provide store, of such sortes of leather, as should serve their turne, in making such things, as is before mentioned; but must of necessity provide such leather, one of the of another, as ever heretofore they have accustomed to do, which now by force of the extremity of the said act, they may not do, which is unto the great hurt & hinderance, as well of the kinges maiestie, as of his nobles, lordes, and commons, for that they, and every of the, be bound of necessity to buy their leather, of a few persons which be only mere regratours of the said leather, at great, high, & unreasonable prices, to the great hurt of the countreyn, wherby the said artificers be not able to shewe the said wares made thereof so good chepe as they have done heretofore. And also by reason of a foresaid restraint or bondage, of the foresaid artificers from buying & selling of leather, there is no man, but few, willing to set, or put his, or their children to be apprentice with any of the foresaid artificers, for that not onely they, & every of them be bound in such bondage, by reason of the said act, but also by the means wherof, are never like to grow to any necessary substance, neither by the trade of the said handicraftes, to susteine the necessities of their old age, without not only that, but also to all cities, boroughs, corporate towns, & by the loss benefite and commoditie of their charter and freedom. For reformation wherof be it enacted, by the authority of this present parliament, that it shall be lawful from henceforth, so, for every of the said artificers, or handy crafts men, expelled or named in the foresayde act to buy and sel, al manner of tanned leather, curried or not curried, so & such shall be converted, by such buyer, or buyers, into any kinde of wares or other things made of tanned leather, within this realme of England, or other things domains, any royalties, penalties, or forfeitures, compelled or specified, in the above remembred act, to the contrary hereof in any wise notwithstanding.

And wherby it is enacted, by the authority aforesaid, that this present act, shall endure but onely unto the ende of the next parliament, and yet, shall not be altered or amended.

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Wherein the parliament holden at Westminster, by proclamation the xij. day of January in the xxiij. year of the most victorious reign of our late sovereign Lord king Henry the eighth, among other things, one general act concerning Commissions of Sewers, to be directed into all parts within this realm, was enacted & made to continue in endure for twenty years, the next following; as by the same act more at large is both and may appear. And forasmuch as the same act is thought good and beneficial for the common wealth of this realm, as it therfore enacted & ordained by the king our sovereign lord, with the assent of the lordes spiritual and temporal, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, & by the auctoritie of the same, that the said act, and all clauses, articles, and provisions, in the same contained, shall continue & endure in their force and strength, and to be observed and kept forever, in such manner and forme, as shall and may stand with the sequels & additions hereafter mentioned.

And be it further enacted & established by the auctoritie aforesaid, that all scotages, lottages and summes of money hereafter to be rated & taxed, by vertue of such commission of Sewers, upon any of the lands, tenements, or hereditaments, of our sovereigne Lord the kynge, his heires or assigns, for any manner of thing or things, concerning the articles of the said commission of Sewers, shall be gathered & levied, by distresse, or otherwise, in like manner & forme, as shall or may be done in the lands, tenements, & hereditaments, of any other person or persons: and that all bills of acquittance, signed with the hand or hands of such collector or collectors, as shall have the collection thereof by the appointment of the said commissioners, or by of them, shall be aswell a sufficient discharge, to the tenants, fermours, & occupiers of the same ground, as to be charged by the said summe, where to their groundes shall be so charged, as also a sufficient warrant to all & everie the receivers, auditors, & other whatsoever officer or officers, of our said sovereigne lord the king, his heires & successors, for the allowance to such tenant, fermour, or occupier for the same, addinge moreover unto this act, by auctoritie of this present parliament, the such, and like fees, and none other, nor more, shall be at any time paid or demanded, for any commission, or commissions, or writtes of Dedimus potestatem, hereafter to be sued out, or obtained under the seal of the Duchy, but only such & like fees as bene mentioned in the said former act, to be payed in the chancery, for commissions and writtes of Dedimus potestatem, to be obtained from the same court of chancery, adding moreover therunto by the auctoritie aforesaid, that every commission, & commissiō, hereafter to be awarded for Sewers, shall continue and

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unless the same commissio & commissions shalbe otherwise dischar
ged, within the same by supersedeas, any thing or things incioned,
or contained in the said former act, contrary to the addicio before
mentioned, or any of them, in any wise notwithstanding.

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and Calves skins.

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nable price, wherby the kings Subjects are not
able at this day to prouide the selues such ne-
cessaries therof made as shoes, & bootes, & such
like, at any reasonable price, as they heretofore
haue done, to the better pouerishment of diuers
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which daily in euery market & other place buy and regrate greene
hides, in & heare & out of & heare to their hādes, to & intent to sell &
same to their owne hūtre & gain. Be it therfore enacted by & king
our soveraigne Lord, & lordes spirituall & temporall, & & commons
in this present parliament assembled, & by thauctoitis of the same,
that no perso or persons within this realme, shal frō & after & feast
of the Annūciation of our lady next comūing, buy or cause to bee
bought any Calveskinnes or hides in the heare, or out of the heare
to the intent to sel againe the same vntāned, except only such perso
& persons, as woll tanne or tawe the same, hypon paine to forfeite
for euery skinne or hide so bought, to & intent to sel againe, as afoze-
said be & shall. The one halfe of which forfeiture to be vnto our so-
ueraigne Lord the king, The other halfe to him or them that will
sue for the same, at any the kings Courtes, by bill, plaint, or other
lawfull procedur, wher in no protection or wager of law, nor yet a-
ny excuse to the partie defendant shalbe allowed, or admitted.

Chapter.
An Act for the abolishing & putting away
of divers books and Images.

Where the kinges most excellent maiestie hath of late
set forth & established by authority of parliament a
uniforme, quiet, and godly order of commo and open
prayer, in a booke intituled The booke of comō prai-
er, ad administratiō of the Sacramētes ad other rites
ad ceremonies of the church of England, to be used & observed i
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the said church of Englande, agreeable to the order of p^rimative church, much more comfortable vnto his loyng subiects. Then other diuersitie of service as heretofore of long time hath bene used, being in the said booke ordeined nothing to be read, but the very pure word of God, of which is evidently grounded vpon the same, as in the other things corrupt, untrue, vaine, & superstitious, and as it were a preparatio to superstition; which is that they be not called in, but permitted to remaine vndeaced, do not only geue occasio to such peruerse persons, as do impugne the order and godly meaning of the kinges said booke of common prayer, to stirre in their old accustomed superstitious service, but also minister great occasio to diuersitie of opinions, Rites, Ceremonies & Services: Be it therefore enacted by h^e king our Soueraigne Lord, the lordes Spirituall & temporall & commons in this present Parliament assembled, that al bookes called Antephoners, Missales, Challes, Processionalles, Hanneles, Legendes, Dies, Baptismalles, Primers in Latine or English, Coochers, Journalles, Ordinales, or other Bookes or writings whatsoever, heretofore used for service of h^e Church, write or printed in h^e English or latine tounge, & ther theuche as are or shalbe set forth by h^e kings Maiestie, shalbe by authoritie of this present act clerely & utterly abolished, & extinguished, and forbiidden for euer to be used or kept in this realme, or els where within any the kings dominions.

And be it further enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that if any person or persons, of what estate, degree, or condition soeuer he, she, or they be, bodies politike or corporat, that now haue, or hereafter shal haue in his, her, or their custody any the bookes or writings of the sortes aforesaid, or any Images of Stone, Timber, Plaster, or earthe, greue, carued, or painted, which heretofore haue ben taken out of any church or chappel, or yet stand in any church or chappel, & doe not, before the last day of June next ensuing, deface & destroy or cause to be defaced and destroyed the same Images and euery of them, and deliuer or cause to be deliuered, al & euery the same books to the Mayor, Bailiff, Cōtable, or Churchwardes of the towne, where such bookes then shalbe, to be by them deliuered ouer openly within three monethes next following after the said deliuerie, to the Archbisshope, Bisshope, Chauncellour, or Commissarie of the same Diocese, to the intent the said Archbisshopp, Bisshopp, Chauncellour, or Commissary, and euery of them cause them immediatly either to be openly burnt, or otherwaies defaced and destroyed, & al for euery such booke or bookes willingly retained in his, her, or their handes or custody, within this realme, or els where within any the kings dominions, and not deliuered, as is aforesaid, after the said last day of June, and be therof lawfully convict, forfeite and loole to the king our soueraigne lord, for the first offence, tenne shillings

shillinges. And for the second offence shal forfeit & lose being therof lawfully convict, fower poundes. And for the third offence, shal suffer imprisonment at the kings wil.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that if any maiours, Ballives, constables, or church wardens, doe not within thre monethes after the receipt of the same bookes, deliver or cause to be delivered, such bookes so by them received, to the Archebischop, Bishop, Chauncellour, or Commissary of their dioces: And if the said Archebischoppes, Bishoppes, Chauncellour or Commissaries doe not within fourty daies after the receipt of such bookes, burne, deface & destroye, or cause to be burned, defaced or destroyed the same bookes, & cuery of them, that then they & cuery of them so offending, shal lose & forfeit to our Soueraigne lord the king, being therefore lawfully convict, fourty poundes: The one halfe of all such forfeitures, shal be to any of the kings subiectes, that will sue for the same, in any of the kinges Courtes of Record, by Bill, plaint, Action of Debt, or information, in which action no Essoine, protection, wager of law or other delay shalbe allowed.

And for better executio of the same act, be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that alwel Justices of Assise in their circuites, as iustices of peace, within the limittes of their Commission in the general sessions, shal have full power & auctoritie, to enquire of the offences aforesaid, & to heare & determine þ same in such fourme as they may do in other such like cases.

Þrovided alwaies, that this act or any thing therein conteined, shal not extend to any Image or picture, set or grauen bypon any tombe in any church, chappel, or churchyard, onely for a monument of any king, Prince, noble man, or other dead person, which hath not bene commonly reputed & take for a saint, but that al such pictures and Images may stand and continue in like maner and forme, as if this act had never bene had nor made, any thing in this act to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Þrovided alway and be it enacted by auctoritie aforesaide, that any person or persons may vse, kepe, haue and retaine any primers in the English or latine tongue, sett forth by the late kyng of famous memorie kyng Henry the eight, so that the sentences of invocation or prayer to Saintes, in the same primers, be blotted or clerely put out of the same, any thing in this Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

¶ The xi. Chapter.

¶ In Act that the kings Maestie may nominate and appoint xxij. persons, to peruse and make ecclesiastical lawes.



Al it be the kings most excellent maiestie gone:
 nout a ruler vnder God of this Realme, ought
 most iustly to haue the gouernement of his sub-
 iectes: & the determination of their causes, as wel
 ecclesiastical as tēporal, yet þe same as tēcerning
 Ecclesiastical causes hauing t or of lōg time ben
 put in vs not exercised, by the reasō of the blurs-
 ped aucthoritie of the Bishop of Rome, he not perfectly vnderstand
 nor knowen of his subiectes, and therefore of necessiti, as wel for the
 abolishing and putting to viter obliuisc the saide blursped aucthori-
 tie, as for the necessarie administracion of iustice, to his louing sub-
 iectes: It may please his highnesse, that it maye bee enacted by his
 most gracious assent with the assent of the Lordes Spirituall and
 Temporal, and the commons of this present Parliament assembled
 and by the aucthoritie of þe same, that the kinges Maiestie shall from
 henceforth during thre yeares, haue full power, aucthoritie, and li-
 bertie, to nominate and assigne by the aduise of his highnesse coun-
 saile sixtene persons of the clergy, wherof fower to be bishops, and
 sixtene persons of the Temporaltie, wherof fower to be learned in
 the common lawes of this realme, to peruse and examine the Ec-
 clesiastical lawes of long time here vsed. And to gather, order, & co-
 pile such lawes Ecclesiastical as shalbe thought to his maiestie, his
 said Counsaile, and them or the more parte of them, conuenient to
 bee vsed, practised and set forth within this his Realme, and other
 his dominions, in all spiritual or Ecclesiastical courtes and conuen-
 tions. And if after suche nomination any of the persons so to be no-
 minated hapen to dye, that then his highnesse by the aduise of hys
 said Counsaile, during the saide thre yeares, shall haue ful powere
 and aucthoritie, from time to time to nominate and assigne other in
 their places to supply the saide number of two and thirtie persones,
 And that the saide two and thirtie persones so nominate, as is a-
 foresaide, at all times from time to time, during the saide thre yeres,
 shall haue full power and aucthoritie to assemble them selues by his
 highnesse commaundement, for the perfecte collectiō, compiling and
 ordering of the said lawes. And bee it also enacted by the aucthori-
 tie aforesaid, that such lawes Ecclesiastical so compiled, gathered &
 ordered by the saide two and thirtie persones, or the more number
 of them, and set forth, published, & declared by the kinges Maiesties
 proclamacions, with the said aduise vnder his highnesse great seale
 shall by vertue of this present act be only taken, reputed, practised, &
 put in vye for the kinges Ecclesiastical lawes of this Realme & no o-
 ther, any lawe statute, vsage or prescription, to the contrary therof
 notwithstanding.

And it is ordeined and enacted by the aucthori-
 tie aforesaid, that no maner of person or persones shall at anye tyme
 hereafter

contrary in any wise notwithstanding

The xiii. Chapter

An Act for the restitution in blood

of Sir William Sharning-

ton knight.



That Sir William Sharnington knight, after by the course of the common lawe of this Realme of Englande, as by act of Parliament was late-lye attainted of high treason & other offences by reason whereof he is deprived, and disabled in blood and name to be made, take, have and enjoye such manours, lordes, tene-ments and hereditaments, as should or might come, descend, remaine or revert to him from any his lineal or col- laterall auncestours or auncestours, to whome he should or might be heir in blood. And where our soveraigne Lorde the king that now is, of his abundant clemency, piety, charitie, especial grace & mercie mooved, by the advise of his honorable counsaile, by his graces letters patentes under his great scale of England, bearinge date at Westminster the fifth day of November, in the thirde yere of his reigne: hath pardoned, remitted & released unto the said Sir Wil- liam Sharnington by the name of William Sharnington late of Lon- don knight, other wise called William Sharinto of London knight, other wise called William Sharnington knight, other wise called Wil- liam Sharinton of Essex in the countie of Northshire knyghte, or by what other name, or surname, or addition of name or surname, hee were knownen or called, all high treasons and offences com- mitted and done by him before the sayde fifth day of November as by the same letters patentes of pardon more plainly appeareth. Our said soveraigne Lorde the king at the humble petition and sute of the sayde Sir William Sharnington is pleased, and contented, that it be enacted; and established by his highnesse, with the assent of the lordes spiritual and temporal and the com- mons in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same: that the said Sir William Sharnington shal be clearely pardoned, remitted & released, and discharged of al and singular trea- sons, and other offences mentioned or expressed in the late attain- dour or attaindours of Sir William Sharnington in any of the or which of the same Sir William was attainted or convicted before the said fifth day of November, in the said thirde yere of the reigne of our soveraigne Lorde the king that now is, and of al judgements, capital offences, penalties, and other penes and penalties, which by reason therof the said William Sharnington should or might

In any wise incurre, have, suffer, or suffer, and by the same Sir William Sharrington, and his heirs, from henceforth more and shall by auctorite of this present acte be restored and enabled in blood, and name to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, and to demand, aske, have, and enjoy all and singular such manours, lands, tenements, and hereditaments, with their appurtenances whatsoever remaine, which at any time hereafter shall descend come or reuert from any the all or none of all auncetours, or auncetours of the said Sir William Sharrington, as heire or heirs to the same auncetour, or auncetours, in such manner and forme, and the said Sir William Sharrington had never bene arraigned. And if the said Sir William Sharrington, Pal and singular the childre and allies of the body of the said Sir William Sharrington, and all and every other person, and persons being of the whole blood to the said Sir William Sharrington, may, and by auctorite of this present acte shall be from henceforth restored, and enabled in blood and name, to demand, aske, have, and enjoy, all and singular such manours, lands, tenements, and hereditaments, with their appurtenances whatsoever they be, which at any time hereafter shall descend, reuert, remaine, come or growe to the said Sir William Sharrington or his heirs by descent, purchase, gift, or otherwise, in such the same and the same manner, forme, and condition to all intents, constructions, and purposes, as if the said Sir William Sharrington had never bene arraigned. And that the same Sir William Sharrington his executors and administrators shall & may in his or their owne name and names sue, aske, and demande all such debts, covenantes, and other thinges, to the said Sir William Sharrington given, done, hadde, or made, by assencion and writing, specialite or reorde, at any time before the said attainour or attainours, which the kinges highnesse hath or shall by his letters patent, or otherwise geve, graunt, appoint, or assigne, to the said Sir William Sharrington, and the money and other profit therof cominge, to collect, have, and receive to the use of the said Sir William Sharrington his executors, or administrators in such the same, and in like manner, forme, and condition, to all intents, constructions, and purposes, as if the said Sir William Sharrington should by might have done, if hee had never bene arraigned. And the said Sir William Sharrington, his executors, and administrators, shall & may by the auctorite aforesaid, that the said Sir William Sharrington had or shall have a house or houses, lodgings, chambers, and other places within the cite of London, & elsewhere within the Realme of England without, as he had, and enjoyed before the said attainour or attainours, in such sort, forme, and condition as hee had or enjoyed by right ought or might have hadde, or enjoyed the same, if the said attainour or attainours,

of any of them had not bene had nor made any forfeiture, judgement
law, statute, usage, custom, privilege, or other thinges to the con-
trary notwithstanding.

Chapter.
An Act for the restitution in blood of Marie Seimour,
daughter to Sir Thomas Seimour knight, lord
Seimour of Sudley late Admi-
rall of England.

In most humble wise sheweth unto your highnes
your faithfull subject Mary Seimour daughter
of Sir Thomas Seimour knight, late lord Seimour
of Sudley a late high Admirall of England
begotten of the bodye of Quene Katherine late
Quene of England a late wife to the said Thomas
late lord Seimour a before that, wife to your
most noble father of most famous memorie king Henrie the eighth
That whereas the said Thomas Lord Seimour by authoritye of
your highnes court of parliament, holden at Westmister in the y
pere of your most noble raigne, was unjustly attainted of high treason,
a by reason therof your said subject laded, a is a prisoner in her bloud
a linage corrupted: It may please your highnes of your most noble
a abundant grace, that it may be at humble petition of your said
subject ordeined, established a enacted by your highnes, to the assent
of the lordes spiritual and temporal, a of the commons in this pre-
sent parliament assembled, and by authoritye of the same, that your
said subject, and her heires may be and shalbe, by authoritye of this
act, restored a enabled one ym blood, as daughter a heire a heires
to the said Thomas lord Seimour. And that your said subject a her
heires from henceforth may a shalbe enabled to demande, aske,
have, holde, a enjoy all, a every such honors, castles, manours, lord-
shippes, hundredes, franchises, liberties, privileges, advowsons, nomi-
nations, presentations, knights fees, lands, tenements, rents, reuer-
sions, services, remainders, portions, annuities, pensions, rights, a al
manner of hereditaments, to their appurtenances, which at any time
hereafter shal come, remaine, be due, a be due to any collateral as-
cestour of your said subject, other then such castles, manours, lands,
tenements, rents, reuerstions, services, remainders, portions, annui-
ties, pensions, rights, and all manner of hereditaments with their
appurtenances, which were of the said Thomas lord Seimour her
father in possession, reuerstion, remainder, or other wise, the day of the
attainder of the said Thomas lord Seimour, or at any time after for-
re alon by him committed or done: And other the such honors, castles,
manours, lands, tenements, a other hereditaments as your high-
nesse was, or is entitled to have, or might, or ought to have by on any
office

Office founde or to bee founde, by force of the saied Attaindour in
 such the same and like maner, forme, and condition, to all intents,
 constructions and purposes, as if the saied Thomas lord Seimour
 father to your saied subiect had neuer bene attaynted, & as though
 no such attaindour of the saied Thomas Lorde Seymour had ne-
 ver bene had or made. And that your saied subiect and her heires
 may hereafter vse and haue anie action or suit, and make her pede-
 gree and conueyaunce in blood as heire, as well to and fro her saied
 father, as also to any other person or persons, in like maner, forme,
 and degree to all intents, constructions and purposes, as if the saied
 Thomas lorde Seymour had neuer bene attaynted, & as if no such
 attaindour were or hadde bene had, the corruption of blood bee-
 twene the saied Thomas Lorde Seymour, and your subiect, and
 her heires, or any act of parliament, or iudgement concerninge the
 attaindour of the saied Thomas Lorde Seymour, or anie other
 thyng whereby the blood of the saied Thomas Lorde Seymour
 is, or should bee corrupted, to the contrarie in anie wise, notwith-
 standing.

And it is provided alwaies and be it enacted by auctorite aforesaid, that
 this present acte, or anie thing therein contained, extende not to re-
 store or entitle your saied subiect, or any of her heires to anie such
 honours, castels, Lordshippes, manours, landes, teneementes, or o-
 ther hereditamentes which your highnesse nowe hath or hadde, or
 is, might brought to be intituled to haue, by reason of any attaindor
 or attaindours of the saied Thomas Lorde Seymour, nor shal ex-
 tende to anie honours, castels, lordshippes, manours, landes, tene-
 mentes, rentes, reuerfions, seruices, or other hereditamentes, late of
 the saied Thomas Lorde Seymour, which your hyghnesse hath
 heretofore genen, dimised, exchaunged or graunted to anie person or
 persons, in fee simple, fee taile, or for terme of life, yeres, or at
 will, But that all such honours, castels, lordshippes, manours, lan-
 des, teneementes, reuerfions, seruices, and hereditamentes, which
 your highnesse hath genen, dimised, exchaunged, or graunted as is
 aforesayed, shal stande, remaine, abide, and continue in the same es-
 tate, force, degree, and condition, to all intentes, constructions and
 purposes, as they and euerie of them were before the makinge of
 this acte, and as though this acte had neuer bene had nor made.

Nowing to all & euery other pson & persons, bodies politike & corpo-
 rate, their heires & successours, & to the heires & successours of euery
 of them all such estate, possession, ryght, title, interest, reuerfion, re-
 mainder, lease & leases, claime, condition, comons, & all other profyts
 & commodities, as they haue or ought to haue, out, in, or to the pre-
 mises, or anie part or parcell therof, as though this acte had neuer
 bene had nor made. And your saied subiect shal dayly pray to God for
 your most noble grace in honour long to continue.

The xv. Chapter.

Can be against fond and phantastical prophecies.

WHEREAS before the prorogation of the last session of this present Parliament, divers cruel dispositions touching to stirre & moue sedition, disobedience & rebellion, haue of their quere mindes, fained, imagined, inuented, published & practised diuers phantastical & fond prophecies, concerning the kings maiesty, and diuers honorable persons, Gentlemen, and Commons of this realme, to the great disturbance and perill of the kings maiesty, & this his realme: For remedy thereof, be it ordained and enacted by the king our soueraigne lord, with the assent of the lords spiritual & temporal, and of the commons in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authoritie of the same, that if any person or persons, after the first day of february next coming, do set forth in writing, printing, singing, speaking, and publish or other wise declare, to any person or persons, any phantastical or false prophetic, bypon occasion of any armes, fieldes, beastes, foules, badges, and such other like thinges accustomed in armes, cognisances, or signets, or by reaso of any time, yere or day, name bloudshed or warre, to the intent thereby to make any rebellion, insurrection, diffencion, loss of life or other disturbance, within the realme, or other the kings dominions: That then euery such person thereof beinge lawfully indicted, and convicted, according to the due course of the lawes, for euery such offence shall suffer imprisonment of his body, by the space of one yere without bayle or mainprie, and shall forfeit for euery such offence the summe of ten poundes.

And if any such offendour do after such convictiōnes offend in any of the premises, & be thereof lawfully indicted, & convicted by the due course of the lawes, & then euery such offendour shall for his second offence & conviction, as is abovesaid, suffer imprisonment of his body, without bayle or mainprie, during his life, & shall forfeit all his goods, & cattels, reals & personals, the moities of euery which forfeitures shalbe to the king, & the other moities thereof to him, that shal or will sue for the same in any of the kings courts of record, by actiō, bill, plaint or information, in which case no essoine, wager of lawe, or protection shalbe allowed by admittē.

And be it further enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that all and euery Justice of Assise, Justice of Oier & determiner, Justice of peace shal haue full power and authoritie by vertue herof, to enquire, heare and determine al & euery offence, or offences abouesaid, committed or done within the limittes of their commission, contrary to the tenour and meaning of this act.

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And it is also enacted by the auctorite of the said parliament, that no person nor persons, shall at any time hereafter be imprached for any offence hereafter to be committed or done, contrary to the act in this behalf made, he be therfore impeached, or accused, within the next monthes next ensuing any such offence, by him or them committed to be done. And this act to endure to the end of the next parliament.

The xviij. Chapter.

An Acte touching the punishment of Vagabonds and other idle persons.



Whereas much as it is notoriously seen & known, that vagabonds & beggars do daily increase within this the kinges highnes realme into very great numbers, chiefly by occasion of idleness, moche & core of abuses, whereby do arise continual thefts, murders, conspiracies, & other sundry heinous offences, & partly for that the good & holde laws and statutes of this realme, hath not bene put in due execution, and partly also, by reason of the multitude of the same (the extremite of some wherof have bene occasiō that they have not bene put in due execution). Therefore, & for divers good considerations it is enacted by the king our soueraigne lord, with the assent of the lordes Spiritual and temporall, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, & by the auctorite of the same, that the statute made in the first yere of the kinges highnesse most noble reigne concerning idle persons and vagabonds in certaine cases, to be made slaues and so forth, and all and every article, matter, proviso, branch and sentence therein contained shall be from henceforth utterly repealed, made frustrate, void and of none effect.

And that the statute, concerning both aged & impotent persons should be ordeined for their better reliefe, & how vagabonds & strong beggars should be punished, made in the xviij. yere of the late king of most famous memory king Henry the eighth, and every matter, article, proviso, branch, & sentence therein contained, to be from henceforth repealed, made void, & stand in full strength & vertue & shall continue and remaine a perfect act of parliament for ever.

And be it therfore enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that at Justices of peace, and every of them within the limits of their commission, and the Sherrifs, Baylives, & other officers, within their severall rules and offices, shall within their severall limits assemble together, & make their severall division, according to the purport and effect of this acte, at & next general quarter sessions of the peace to be holden after the feast of Easter next to come, for the due speedie & diligent execution of the same acte. And that if any such aged or impotent

potent person after the feast of Easter next to come, shall offend contrary to this Statute, that then the said offendour shall be visited & punished, as in the same Statute of the xxij. of king Henry the eight, is provided. And that before the feast of Easter no punishment shall be put in execution against any such impotent, lame, & aged person, but only by the discretion of the next Justice of peace of the same shire where such offendour shall be apprehended, any thing in the said act, to the contrarie notwithstanding.

And for the avoiding of the idle loitering of common labourers of husbandry, in this realm: Be it enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that such common labourers being persons able in body, being loitering, and refusing to worke, for such reasonable wages, as is most commonly given in the parties where such persones shall dwell, shall be for every such tyme as he or they refuse to laboure, having reasonable wages, as is aforesaid, adjudged bacabondes, & shall be punished as strong, and naughty bacabondes, in such maner as fortime as is declared in the said act of xxij. against bacabondes. And touching maimed, lame, & aged, and impotent persons, which resorteth to the city of London, and to other cities, townes and villages on begging: Be it enacted by the authoritie aforesaid that all singular Mayors, Sheriffs, Baylives, Constables, or other head officers of any city, towne, or village, to which such resort is, or shall be, before the feast of the Purification of our Lady next following, set all such idle, impotent, maimed, and aged persones, who otherwile can not by their discretions be taken for bacabondes, which were borne within the said City, towne, or village, or hath benethere most convenient and abiding by the space of three yeres and more decayed, and provided for, of the tenancies, cottages, or other convenient houses, to be lodged in, or the cottages, & charges of the said cities, townes, boroughes, and villages, there to be retained, and agreed by the discretion of good people of the said city, borough, towne, or village, and that they doe not suffer after the time before rehearsed, any other then such as either were borne, or hath bene for the most part convenient, or abiding by the space of three yeres, as is aforesaid, in the said City, borough, towne, or village, to remaine and begge anywhere within the precinctes of such Cities, Townes, villages, or boroughes. And whosoever such as have letters, or are authorized or licensed by force of this act, bypon payme that euery such Mayor, Sheriff, and Bayliffe, Constable, or other head officer by what name soever he be called, suffering any personne to begge within the precinct aforesaid, or their jurisdiction, other then as before rehearsed, for euery three daies, shall forfeit rentle shillings, to whom soever will sue therof, by bill, information, or action of debt, in any Court of recorde, in the which sues no effoier, no wager of lawe, or protection shall be allowed,

allowed for the defendant.

And be it further enacted by þe auctoritie aforesaid that þe maior of the citie of London, and al other maiors, baillifes, shirifes, constables, and other head officers of every citie, borough, or town corporate, & of other every towne & village, do with al convenient speede by them selues, or their sufficient deputies, before the feast of the Purification of our Lady next comming, & so from tyme to tyme every Monerh once, make a view and examination of aged, impotent & lame persons, beggers, as be within the precinct of their Jurisdictions, and see al such as were not bozne, nor hath been for the most part conuersant and abiding by the space of thre yeares complete, or hane not letters, & auctorised or licensed by force of this estatute, conueighed on horseback, cart, or otherwise, as shal seme by ther discretions, to þe next constables, and they to conuey the same to þe next constables, & so from constables to constables, til the said persones be brought to the place wher they were bozne, or most conuersant and abiding, as is aforesaid, ther to be provided for, kept, and nourished of almes as is aforesaid, vnder the peine that every suche Maioz, shirife, or constable, headborough, or other head officers not makinge view, nor sending or conueying away, nor receiuing or not providing as is before appointed, according to þe true purport, or meaninge of this acte, to forfeit for every such default, shillings, wherof þe one shal to be to þe Kinge vs, & thother to þe partie that will sue therfore in any of the Kinges courts of record, by bill, information, action of debt, in the which suits no essoine, wager of law, or protection shal be allowed for the defendant.

Þe provided alwaies, & be it enacted by þe auctoritie aforesaid that if any of the said aged, maimed, or impotent persons of þe citie townz or villages, wher they were bozne in, or had their most abiding, as is aforesaid, be not so lame, or impotent, but that they may worke in some maner of worke: that then such citie, towne, parische, or village doe either in comons provide some such work for them, as they may be occupied in, or appoint them to such as wil finde them worke for meate & drinke. And if they refuse of wilfulnesse and stubbernesse to worke, or do runne away & begge in other places, the to punish þe same according to their discretions, wth stocking, beating, or otherwise as shal seme to them convenient.

Be it also enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that all Leprouse & poore bedied creaturez, whatsoeuer they be, may at their owne libertie remaue & continue in such houses as are appointed for leprouse or bedied people, as they now be in, & shall not be compelled to repaire into any other countries or places by vertue of this act, any thinge therein contained to the contrary notwithstanding. And that also it shalbe lawfull unto the said Leprouse, and bedied people for their

better reliefe, to appoint their proctour, or proctours, so that be not appointed above þe number of two persons, for any one house of leprosy, or beddyed people, to gather the charitable almes of al such inhabitants, as shalbe within þe compasse of fower miles of any of the said houses of leprosy & beddyed persons.

Þrouded alwaies & be it enacted by thauthourite aforesaid, that it shalbe lawfull to þe lord Chauncellour of England, or lord keeper of the great seale for þe time being, at their discretions, to grant commission vnder the great seale of England, to euery or any person or persons, that hath, or shal haue his or their houses, or barnes burnt, or such losses, or to such as be or shalbe leprouous persons, to gather the reliefe & charity of others for their reliefe, or for their ayde & helpe of his or their losses, decay or hinderance, as in time past hath ben vsed, any thing in this act nor withstanding.

And be it further enacted by the aucthorite aforesaid, that al and euery statute & act of parliament made for punishment of bacabodes, clauies, aged & impotent persons, or any of them, & euery article, sentence, clause, or prouise thereto contained, other then this present act & statute made, & the said act made in the said xxij. yere shalbe from henceforth utterly void, repealed, & of no effect or force.

And forasmuch as diuers women & men going on begging, impotent & lame, & soe able ynough to labour, do carie children aboute to them of tender age, & some of iii. v. or vi. yeres of age or yonger, or elder, which being once broughte vp in idleness, will hardelye bee brought after to any good kind of labour, peine, seruise, or seruice.

Be it enacted by thauthourite aforesaid, þat if any childe above thage of v. yeres, & vnder thage of xiiii. go about wadding, as is aforesaid, or els alone, in case any maner perso þat is able to keepe any such childe will take it, be it male or female, of & from any such begger being the father or mother thereof, nouricer or keeper, whether they be willing or not, or without any such nouricer, father, mother or keeper, by him or her selfe wadding, & being such childe so taken, before one of the constables of þe parish, wherethe childe shal so fortune to be taken by, & at þe next generall quarter sessions to be holde in þe shire next to the place wherethe said takinge by shal fortune to be, present þe same in the presence of þe said constable, before the Justices of peare at the same Sessions, & there in open Sessions promise to bring þe same childe by in some honest labo, or occupation, if þe woman childe come to thage of xv. yeres, & þe male childe to thage of xviij. yeres, if þe master or mistres shal chance so long to live, that the same immediately þe said Justices of peace by their discretions shal adudge by vertue of this act, the said childe, vnto the ages before specified, to be seruant or seruantes to the said person or persones so taking and promising as is aforesayde, such childe to be used and ordered, in all poyntes

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according as the law, & custome of þ realme is of seruants without wages, to what labour, occupatiō, or seruice soeuer þ said taker vp, or maister or maistres shal appoint him, or her, during þ said terme, and the said iudgement shalbe entred by the clerke of the peace in þ said Sessions in foure following, Memorandum, that at the Sessions of the peace holdē at w. the day &c. one I. B. of the towne of L. had deliuered to him, according to the foume of the statut in that case provided B. T. esteemed to be of thage of vij. or viij. yeres to be ordered according to the foume of the said statute.

And if it shal fortune such child so adiudged to runne away at any time, once, or mo times frō his, or her maister or maistres, that then it shalbe lawfull for every such maister or maistres, to take the sayd childe againe, and to kepe, & pynishe the said childe in the stockes, or other wise by discretiō, or other wise at the libertie of such maister, or maistres, to haue a warrant frō any iustice of peace in the same shire where the childe so runnes away, for such childe runnunge away, or going away, as is provided by the statut of labourers, for such seruants as depart away from their master or maistres, without a reasonable cause before the end of their terme.

And that every Justice of peace, shal by force of this act haue auctoritie & power, to make such warrant against every such person so going, & running away, in like forme as they, or any of the may doe against any seruant departing out of his masters seruice without licence, or reasonable cause, and by force of the same warrant the childe so running, or going away to be taken, & ordred in enery degree, as is provided by the said statut labourers for seruants departing out of their master or maistres seruice, as is aforesaid.

And be it further enacted by thauthoritie aforesaid, that if, and as often as it shal chaunce þ father, mother, nozie, or other bearer aboutes of the childe, or any other person or persons, to steale, or entice away any such child, adiudged for a seruant, as is aforesaid, þ then, & so often it shalbe lawfull for the maister, or maistres of þ same child to be at his, or theis libertie to take an action vpon the statut Labourers against every such persō so stealing, or enticing away such child as he, or they might haue, by reaso of þ said statut laborers, against him, or them that certaines any mannes seruant out of his seruice, be fore the end of the said terme, or els to take an actiō of trespass against such offender, in which action he shal recouer his dammages, & treble costes of his suit.

And be it further enacted by thauthoritie aforesaid, þ if the maister, or maistres to whom such child as is aforesaid shalbe adiudged to be seruant, be unreasonable in ordping, & bringing vp of such childe, that then at al times vpon complaint made at the general quarter sessions of peace, in the county where the said child shalbe

by two honest neightours of the same place, or towne where þe said child shal fortune to be so unreasonable ordeed, if it shal appere by honest witnes to þe iustices of peace at þe same session, þe complaint thereof made shalbe true, then the iustices of peace at their general sessions, in þe same shire, where such complaint shalbe made, shal by vertue of this act haue authoritie & power to discharge þe said child fro his or their unreasonable maister, or maistres, & appoint the same to some other honest maister, or maistres, vnto the said ages, to be ordeed in euery degre as þe said child shoulde haue bene with his foyner maister or maistres, & that orde, & appointment to be written in the booke of þe clerke of the peace, for the which entry þe said clerke of the peace shal haue iiii. s. for his labour, & not aboue, & in like maner shal haue iiii. s. & not aboue, for the first entry of the child to be seruant, as is afore- said to be paid by the maister, or maistres of the said child.

Þe second alwaies, & be it enacted by chauchourtie afore said, that if the woman child to be appointed a seruant, as is afore said, be married before her age of xii. yerres, & then by þe marriage, she shalbe discharged of seruice, This act of any thing therein contened to the contrary notwithstanding.

Þe third alwaies, and be it enacted by chauchourtie afore said, þe all, & euery vacabonde, or begger being borne in any other nation, or countrie then within this realme, shal in maner, & forme afore said & vpon the forfeitures, & penalties before mencioned, be conueighed from place to place, or to þe place, & marches next adioining, to his or their native countrey, or to the next port, if there be a sea betwene this realme, & his or their said countreis, there to be kept of inhabitants of the said next port, in conuenient labour from idlenesse, or other vopis til they may be conueighed ouer, and then at the costes of the inhabitants of the said port, if themselves shal not haue wherewith to be conueighed ouer into their native countreis.

The viij. Chapter. An act against vniatoful hunting in any parkes, or forest, chase, or other enclosed ground.



Here as in the first yere of your most gracions reigne your maiestie in consideration of þe great obedience & your subiects then in, of your inestimable clemency, & tender loue, & vnto the same gaue your soall assent vnto an act of parliament touching the repeale of certain statutes, & penalties wherof seemed very sore, & in- kunge most godly there by to humne your said subiects in the conti- nuance of their obedience, rather by loue then feare, forasmuch as

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ith. in the clare of the said repeal, your grace hath found the experience thereof, to haue had other success; then your most mercifull meane guided for, & that such insolencies, and barbarous brutynnes, and disobedience hath followed the same, as heretofore hath not bene sene, either in this realme, or else where. Amongst the whiche outrageous disorders, one hath ben vnlawfull hunting, not only in al your graces subiects several lordshades, but in your graces owne parkes & forests, almost through out the realme, so notable, as in some of your graces parkes were slaine the hundred Deer in a day with very few miles of your maiesties citie of London, whiche vnufferable libertie escaping with out due punishment hath bene such a bolde countinace of you, as at this present bothe night & daye your graces parkes & forests, & the parkes also of others are still hunted wth such boldnesse as bineth it is taken for a fault, to the great dishonour of your graces keepers, & the destruction of your royall games beside the shame & dishonour, that in other realmes thereof is spoken. For reformation thereof most humbly beseeching your grace your maiesties most humble and louing subiectes, that it may be ordeined and enacted by your maiestie, the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons in this presente Parlyament assembled, and by the authoritie of the same, that as well one estatute made in the parlyament holden at westmynster in the xxii. yere of the reigne of kyng Henry the eighth, touching the wrongfull entry into any forest, park, or chase of the kynges highnes, the Dukes, the Princes, or any of the kynges children, for the tyme being, or into any other grounde of his, or theirs enclosed with wall, or pale, ordeined, or used for nourishing of Deer, as also one other estatute made in the Session of the said parlyament holden the xxii. yere of the reigne of the same late kyng touchinge & wrongfull taking, killing, or slaying of any Deer, with in any park, chase, or closed grounde used for Deere, may from the firste daye of Maye next commynge bee fully & clerely reuiued and that the same statutes touch all and al maner of branches, articles, sentences, and penalties of the same severall statutes, may from the same day bee in full strength and vertue to al intentes, constructions and purposes, as if the same statutes, or any of them had neuer bene repealed, the said act of repeal, or any other act of thinge to the contrarye in any wise not withstanding. This statute to endure the space of thre full yeres to be complete and fully ended from the first day of Maye above saide.

Whereas also it is enacted, that this presente acte or any thinge therein contained, shall not in any wise extende to cause the wife of such offendour or offendours, to lose any dowry, but that the wife and wives of such offendour & offendours shall

haue such interest and recovery of, in, & to their doctores of the lawes, & hereditaments of such offenders and offenders, as they should haue had, in case no such attainder or conviction hadde ben had of any the offences aforesayde. And that by such attainder or conviction, the heire of such offender or offenders shal lose no inheritance ne suffer any corruption of blood, but shal after the death of such offender and offenders, inherite & be deemed as he had & as he is, & enabled as heire to such offices or offices in such manner & forme, as if no such attainder or conviction had ben had. Any thig herein cōtrary to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Chapter the xviij.
An act concerning fees & fines mentioned in the last Session.

Where in the seconde Session of this present parliament holden at the same time & place, by the authority of the same parliament, in the second year of the reign of our said sovereign lord & king, & now is: Our sovereign lord & king of his most godly & vertuous disposition, by the assent of his lords spiritual & temporal, and the commons in the same parliament assembled and by authority of the same, as well for the aide and relief of the poore in the cities, boroughes, & townes corporate of this his realm of England, and countrey of Wales, as for the execution of other goodes of charite, and common wealthe, there ordeined & enacted, that such fees & fines of money paid for fees & fines, as by any city, borough or towne corporate, in this realm of England or countrey of Wales, or by any bodies politique or corporate, officers or ministers of the same, should or might to be due & payable to his maiestie, his heires or successours, during the next three years ensuing after the full day of March, in the year of our lord God, 1547, should cease & not be due, ne payable to his maiestie ne his heires, or his successours by any such city, borough, ne towne corporate, ne by any the bodies politique or corporate of them, or any of them, nor by the Officers, inhabitants & ministers of the same cities, boroughes, or townes corporate, or any of them, & that the said fees should bee to them, and every of them, & to the successours of every of them, a sufficient warrant and discharge against his maiestie, his heires and successours, & his reverend & right worshipful of the same fees & summes of money, during the said three yeares, and that no process or other lawe should bee at any time had by any way or against them, or any of them, one of the Chancery, or any other court for the averages thereof, for by in any of the said three yeares.

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And it was then further provided & enacted by the said authoritie, thatasmuch of al, and every such summes of money, as should or ought to be due to the kinges maiestie, his heires or successours, by any person, borough, towne corporate within England, or Wales, or by the bodies politique of the same, or by any of the officers or ministers of the same, or any of them, during the said iii. yeres, which might be gathered and collected of the fines, fermes, and profits, for which the said fees fermes should have been paid, in case the same had not been discharged by the said act, should be levied, collected, gathered, paid & ascertained, as it should have been, if the said act had not been made, to be employed & bestowed in, & about repairing of walles, bridges, setting downe people or wike, or other good uses in every such city, borough, or towne corporate, where the same should so have been due during the said three yeres, if the said act had not been made, by the direction & appointment of such commissioners, as the kinges maiestie should particularly authorize, & appoint for every such city, borough, or towne corporate, in such manner and forme, as the same commissioners should assigne, limite & appoint, or as by such commission should be declared or expressed, and not to the kinges maiestie his heires or successours in his Court of the Exchequer, or in any other court or place, to the use of his maiestie, his heires or successours. And nevertheless, for divers especial considerations & weighty causes: Be it now enacted, ordained, and established, by authority of this present parliament, that the said former act, concerning the sayd fees fermes & summes of money, & al articles, clauses, & provisions, concerning the order, disposition & payments of the same fees fermes, & summes of money, or any of them therein contained, or of any annuities or summes of money out of the said fees fermes, & summes of money paid for fees fermes, shal stand, remaine, & be in their full strength, power, & effect, only for the first yere of the said three yeres contained in the said act, and not otherwise ne for any longer time.

And that the said act of fees fermes, and al articles, clauses, & provisions therein contained touching and concerning the remitting, retaining, discharge, or payment of the said fees fermes, or of any part or parcel thereof, of & for the last two yeres of the said three yeres, shal utterly cease, determine, & take none effect, any thing contained in the said former act, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And furthermore be it enacted & established by shauthoritie aforesaid, that from & after the xxii. day of March in this present yere of our lord God. 15. 2. the said fees fermes, & summes of money paid for fees fermes, and every of them shal be due, payable, and answerable unto the kinges maiestie, his heires, & successours at such tymes and places, and in such manner, forme, and condition, to al intents, constructions and purposes, as the same, or any of the were, ought

or might have bene paid, or payable before the making of the said former act, any thing therein contained to the contrary therof notwithstanding.

It is provided alwaies & be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, that al & every patentee or patentees, and al other persons and bodies politique and corporate, their heires, successours, and assignes, which by vertue of the letters patens of the kinges maiestie, or of anye of his noble progenitours, or other wise, at, & before the making of the said former act, had or enjoyed, or lawfully should or myght have had, or enjoyed anye annuities, or summe or summes of money going out, or to be take or payable of & said fees, services, or fines of money paid for fees, services, or any of the, shal & may lawfully claime, as the demand, have and enjoy such annuities or summes of money as shalbe due, payable, & answerable to any such patentee or patentees, or any other persons or bodies politique & corporate, their heires, successours, & assignes, or any of the, fro & after the said day of March, in the said yere of our lord God Sheweth: at such times & places, & in such sort, maner & forme to all intents and purposes, as the same annuities or summe or summes of money were paid or answered at, and before the making of & said former act, in none other wise, any thing herein contained to & contrary therof in any wise notwithstanding.

The ix. Chapter.

An act for the buying & selling of roacher

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It is enacted by the authority of this present parliament & no person nor persons, at any time fro & after the feast of the Annunciation of our Lady next coming, shal buy, or common, & conclude to buy, any manner of Oxen, steres, cotes, kine, heighsters, or calves, but only in the open faire or market, where the same shall happen to be brought & put to sale, & shal not sel & same

again on line at & in the market or faire, where he bought the same during the time of the said faire or market, upon paine of forfeiture of the double value of such cattell bought or sold, contrary to the tenor of this present act.

It is provided alwaies & be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that it shalbe lawful for al and every person and persons, to buy any Oxen, steres, cotes, kine, heighsters, & calves, or any of the, out of any open faire, or market, for his or their provision, for their household use, or daire, at his or their will, or pleasure, to be employed, & spent only in keeping & maintenance of his or their house, or for their use, or daire, and not other wise.

And be it further enacted, by the authority aforesaid, that no person

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son, being a Butcher, using the craft or misterie of butcherie, shall at any time after the said feast buy any fatt oxen, steres, ronts, kyne, heighsters, calves, or sheepe, or any of the, or cause to be sold the same again on line, by peine of forfeiture of every such ox, stere, ront, cowe, heighster, calves, or sheepe bargained, or sold contrary to the forme of this present act.

And whosoever shall at all, & every person, and persones beinge a Butcher, and using the art and misterie of Butcherie, shall and may at his owne pleasure buy any fatt oxen, steres, rontes, kyne, heighsters, calves, or sheepe, or any of the, out of any open faire, or market: So that such butcher sel not, nor cause to be sold the same again on line, as is aforesaid, any thing contained in this act to the contrary notwithstanding. Whome moitie of all which forfeitures, shall be to our soveraigne lord the king, his heires, & successours: & thother moitie to him, or them that will sue for the same in any of the kings courttes of record, wherein no wager of lawe, esloigne, or protection shall be allowed for the defendant or defendants. This act to endure to the end of the next parliament.

The xx. Chapter.

An acte touching the repeale of a certaine braunche of an act passed in the last Session of this parliament, concerning victuallers.

Whereby a certaine act made in the Parliamēt holden at Westminster by prorogatio the twentieth day of November, in the second yere of the reigne of our moste dread soveraigne lord the king that now is, it is enacted, and established, that no person or persons should at any time after the first day of April then next ensynge, interrupt, derue, lette, or disturbe any free Mason, rough mason, carpenter, bychlaier, plaisterer, Joiner, hardworer, Sawyer, tyler, painter, glazier, limeburner, bychmaker, tilemaker, plumber, or labourer boine in this realme, or made denizen, to worke in any of the said craftes in any cytie, borough, or towne corporate, with any person and persons, that will reteyne him, or them, albeit the sayed person, or persons so reteyned, or any of them do not inhabite, or dwell in the cytie, borough, and towne corporate, where hee or they shall worke, nor be free of the sayne cytie, borough, or towne, any statute, lawe, ordinaunce, or other thinge whatsoever before had, or made to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding, and that upon paine of forfeiture of five pound for every interruption, or disturbance done contrary to the said statute, thone moitie of every such forfeiture to be to the king, & thother moitie thereof to be to him, or the that

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will sue for þe same in any of the kings courts of record, by bill, plaint, action of debt, or informatiō, wherin no wager of law, esloigne, nor protection should be allowed, as by þe said act of parliament amongst other things more plainly appeareth.

And soasmuch as in the city of London being the kings chambrle and most auncient citie of this realme, the artificers & craftesmen of the artes, craftes, and misteries aforesaid, are at great costs & charges, aswel in bearing & paying of taxes, tallages, subsidies, scot, lot, and other charges, as wel to the kings maiestie, as to the said city, & at many and sundry triumphes and other times for the kings honour, and that if foreins should come, and woothe amongst them, within the liberties of the said city, contrary to their auncient privileges, that the same should be a great decay of cunning, & an impoverishmet, & driving away of þe free men, being artificers of þe crafts & artes, & misteries aforesaid, within the said citie of London, to the great hurt, or destruction of the said citie.

For reformation wherof, the kings maiestie is pleased, and contented, that it be enacted by theaucthority of this present parliament, with the assent of the lords spirituall & temporall, & the commons in this present parliament assembled, that the said act onely touching that article, & clause aforesaid, and al, & every sentence, & braunch contained in the said act, concerning the same article, shal frō henceforth be resumed, repeled, adnulled, reuoked, adnihilated, & utterly made void for ever. Any thing cōtained in þe said former acte touching þe clause, or article aforesaid, in any wise to the contrary notwithstanding.

¶ The xxi. Chapter.

¶ In act for the buying and selling of Butter and Cheese.



It enacted by theaucthority of this present parliament, that no pson or persons, after the feast of the Annunciatio of our Lady next coming, shal buy or sel again any butter or chese vniellesse he or they sel þe same againe by retaille, in open shop, faire, or market, & not in grosse, vnder paine of forfeiture of þe double value of the same Butter, & chese so sold, contrary to the tenor of this present act: thone moiety of al which forfeiture, to be to our soueraigne lord þe king, his heires, & successours, and the other moiety to him, or them that will sue for the same in any of the kings courts of record wherin no wager of law, esloigne, or protectiō shalbe allowed for the defendant, or defendants.

It is provided also, and be it enacted by the aucthority aforesaid, that the said word of retaille mentioned in this act, shalbe expounded, declared,

declared, & taken, onely where a weight of Cheese, or a barrel of butter or of lesse quantitie & not aboue, shalbe sold at one tyme to any person or persons in open shop, faire, or market, & that to bee done without fraude or couine.

Wherbynded alway, & this act or any thing therein contained shall not extend to any Inholder or victailer for such butter or cheese, as shalbe spent, or vntered by retails, in any of their howies, any thing cōtained in this act to the contrary notwithstanding: this act to endure to the next Parliament.

¶ The xxij. Chapter.

¶ An act touching the retaining of Journeymen by diuers persons.

Whereas many yong folkes and seruants of sundry occupations, being once out of theire apprenticeshodes, or their yerely retained seruice, wil nor cōmōly be receyued in seruice by the pere, nor laboure in their sciēces, occupations, or craftes wherem they be exercised or brought by, but at their liberty, by & day, weeke, or other wise, worke by great to thinke they will line idly, & at their pleasure, flye a resort from place to place, whereof ensue more inconueniences then can be at this present expressed & declared.

Be it therfore enacted by the auctoritie of this parliament, that no person nor persones occupying or vsing, or that hereafter shall occupie or vse any of the artes, misteries, occupations, craftes or sciēces of a clothmaker, fuller, sherrin, weauer, tailor or shomaker, shall after the feast of Pentecost next comming, hire or receiue to worke in any of their artes, misteries, occupations, craftes, or sciēces, any person or persons vnmarrried, as a Journeyman, & is to say, to worke or laboure by the day or talle worke, or by their great, or for any tyme or terme, vnder the tyme & terme of one whole quarter of one whole pere. And & no person nor persons vnmarrried shalbe hired or receyued with any of & person or persons aforesaid, to worke in any of the artes, misteries, occupations, craftes, or sciēces aforesaid, for any lesse tyme, then for the space of one whole quarter of one whole pere, vpon payne of currie pson offending contrary to this statute to suffer imprisonment for one whole moneth without bail or mainprize, & to forfeit for euery such offence xl. s.

And be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid that euery iourneymā of any & craft, occupation or misterie aforesaid, being required by any person or persons vsing the misterie, occupation, craftes or sciēces aforesaid or any of them, to serue by the quarter of the pere, halfe pere, or whole pere by so much reasonable wages as betwene the shal be agreed, & in case wher & parties cannot accord, the for such wages as shalbe

shalbe adiudged & decreed by one Justice of þe peace, maire, aldeman, bailife, portreeve, Constable, or tithing man of the shire, cite, towne, borough, village, hundred, wapentake, or tithing, where any such Journeyman shalbe required to serue, as is abovesayd, & therupon if such Journeyman refuse to serue in maner & fourme abovesayd, that then every such Journeyman and every of them so refusing to serue, as is abovesaid, shal suffer imprisonment, by þe space of one whole month & shal at every time so refusing forfait xx. s.

And be it further enacted, that al & every person or persones, that shal have iii. apprentices in any of the said crafts, misteries, or occupations, shal reteine & kepe one Journeyman, & for every other apprentice aboue the nūber of the said iii. apprentices one other journeyman by þe paine for every default x. li. the one halfe of all which forfeitures, shalbe to the king our soueraigne lord, & the other halfe to such person or persones, as wil sue for the same in any of þe kings courts of record, by bill, informacion, action of debt or other wise, in which suit no essoine, protection, or wager of lawe, shalbe admitted or allowed. And it is further enacted by the authority abovesaid, that al & singular offences abovesaid, which shalbe hereafter committed or done contrary to the tenor of this present act, shalbe inquirable & presentable before þe Justices of Oier & determiner, Justices of assises, Justices of the peace, & in all & every leete or leetes, before the steward or stewards there, & before any Mayor, bailife, or other head officer, of any cite, towne, or borough corporate, & that þe said Justices steward Mayor, bailife or other head officer, shal have full power & authority from time to time to punish & correct, all and every person & persons offending contrary to the tenor of this present act accordyng to such presentment or presentments, as before him or them shal be had or made.

And wherby it is provided & enacted by the authority abovesaid, that al servants of husbandry unmarried, & which have not bene married, & al servants & labourers using to labour in barges commonly called westerne barges, which are not nor have bene married, shal after the feast of the Annunciacion of our Lady next coming, serue by þe whole yere & not go by the day wages, by þe paine of such punishment as is contained in the statutes made against labourers, & that all such servants shal after þe said feast geue their master & maistres a quarters warning, against his, or their departure out of service upon the like paine contained in the said statute.

Chapter. In act concerning the releas of the branches in the last year of the releeve, for the payments of shepe and clothes, & also of a grant of a Subsidy to be paid in one yere.

And wherby it is provided & enacted by the authority abovesaid, that



Most humble shewing the commons in this present
 parliament assembled, your most excellent maiestie
 where in the last Session of this present parli-
 ament by your prorogacio, began at Westminster the .iij.
 daye of November, in the second yere of your high-
 nes reigne & there continued unto the xliij. daye of
 Marche then next following, your humble, & faith-
 ful subiectes the commons, in the said parliament assembled to the assent
 of the lords spiritual & temporal, graunted unto your highnes on relief of
 the .iij. of every li. of goods & cattails, of every person being worth the
 .xli. s. byward, to be levied, & taken in .iij. yerres, in maner & forme
 as is mencioned in the said act. And also one other reliefe to be taken &
 levied, for every shere shepe, according to the same by the polle, after the rate,
 as by the same act more at large it doth appere. And one other reliefe
 of .viii. s. of the .li. of the price & value of al singular wollen clothes to be
 taxed & levied in maner, & forme, as by the same act is declared: the
 same severall reliefs to endure, & to be yerely paid, & levied during .iij.
 yerres as by the same former act more largely it appeareth: which
 reliefe of clothe appereth now so cumbersome to al clothemakers, &
 also so tedious to the sayd for making of their bookes & the accompts
 thereof by reason of lacke of the alnagers not alwaies present, when
 tyme requirerth, in maner they are discouraged, to make any cloth,
 or to set any mē on worke about the same: and also the said reliefe of
 sheepe is, to your poore commons, having but few sheepe in numbre a
 great charge, & also so cumbersome for al your commissioners, & officers
 named & appointed for executing of the same, & they cannot well, how
 to serve your highnes therein according to their duties. It may ther-
 fore please your highnes with the assent of the lords spiritual, and te-
 poral of your said commons, & at their most humble suit that it bee
 enacted, by the authoritie of this present parliament, that the severall
 graunts, & clauses, mencioned in the said act of reliefe, concerning or
 touching onely the severall graunts of reliefs to be levied, and paid
 for shepe after the rate of the polle, and of cloth to be paid, or of any
 of them, as in the former acte is recited, and every article, clause, pro-
 vision, & sentence concerning onely the same severall graunts of reliefs
 for shepe, and cloth, or either of them, shalbe from the sayd fourteenth
 daye of November, in the said second yere of your most noble reigne
 deemed & adjudged void, & of none effect, and to be utterly repea-
 led to al intenes, constructions, and purposes. And that every arti-
 cle, clause, and provision mencioned in the sayd act of reliefe con-
 cerning or concerning the reliefe, of, and for goods, to stande, and bee
 good, and effectual, according to the tenor of the same act of reliefe. And
 for your humble, & obedient subiects, beseech your highnesse, that it
 may

may please your highnes to take, & recelle of vs your said subiectes
towa:des your inestimable charges, wherby haue already inchei-
ued a boine, & be like hereafter to susteine, and beare, for the defence
of vs, & this your highnes realme, & dominions, against thoid, and
amiciant enemies of the same, & Frenchmen, & the Scottes, now
being open enemies to your highnes, your said realme, & dominions
this smal gift here after following, not as any recoptee, or satisfacci-
on to your maiestie, of & for your most boundfull & libeall relesse, &
discharge of your said humble subiects, of & concerning the saide se-
uerall relesses of shepe, & clothes, but as a token, and knoweledge
of our faithfulness, loving, & willing hartes, towards your highnes
to be alwaies redy to beare to your highnes, to the vitermost of our
powers, in al your proceeding, & affaires, as to the Dier of naturall,
and obedient subiects apperteyneth: that is to say, we your graces
said loving subiects, doe, by auctoritie of this prelat parliamēt fre-
ly and of our good hartes and myndes, geue, and graunt unto your
most royal maiestie, one other relesse, to continue by one yere next en-
suing the determinaciō of & said three yeres specified in the sayd for-
mer acte of relief, for goods to be rated, rated, reued, and gathered
of euery peris, of what estate or degree he be, according to the tenor
of this acte, after the rate, & in maner, and fourme followinge, that
is to say, aswel of all & euery person, as is or hereafter shalbe, your
graces naturall subiects, as of al, and euery fraterneite, guild, corpo-
raciō, millerie, brotherhod, company, and commonalltie, corporat, or
not corporat, within this realme of England, Wales, and other the
kinges dominions, being worth x. pound of money, coigne, plate,
stocke of merchandise, come, graine, shepe, beastes, cattails, or other
goodes mouable, aswel within this realme, as without, & of al such
summes of money, as to him is, or shalbe owing, wherof he, or they
trust in their conscience, surely to be paid xii. s. of euery li. And of cur-
ry alle, or straunger, borne out of the kinges obeyssance, aswel deni-
zen as not denizen, inhabiting, or resiant within this realme, or a-
ny other & kinges dominions, being worth x. li. in money, coigne, plate,
stocke of merchandise, come, graine, shepe, beastes, cattails, or other
goodes mouable, aswel within this realme as without, and of al
such summes of money, as to him is, or shalbe owing, wherof he trust-
eth in his conscience to be surely paid ii. s. of euery li. And of euery
alien, or strainger, borne out of the kinges obeyssance, aswel deni-
zen, as not denizen, inhabiting, or resiant within this realme,
or any other & kinges dominions, being worth xx. s. & vnder x. li. in
money, coigne, plate, stocke of merchandise, come, graine, shepe
beastes, cattails, or other goodes mouable, aswel within this realme
as without, and of al such summes of money, as to him is, or shalbe
owing, wherof he trusteth in his conscience to be surely paid xii. s. of
euery

every pound. Except, & out of the premises deducted such summes of money, as any person or persons before chargeable owe, & in his or their conscience truly minde to pay. And excepted also & apparet of such persons, their wives, & children, belonging to their owne bodies, having Jewells, golde, silver, stone, & pearle. Excepted also alwaies fro the charg, assessment, & paymēt of the said relief al mony, goodes, and cattails of Diphines, bequethed or left unto them by their parents, or other their friends deceased. And & al plate, coigne, Jewells, goods, debts, and cattails personall, being in & rule and custodie of any person, or persons, to the vse of any corporation, fraternitie, guild, mystery, Brotherhod, company, or any comynalte being corporate, or not corporate, be & shalbe rated, sett, and charged by reason of this acte, at the value certified by the presentours of the certificats, to be sworne of every pounce in goodes and debts as is aboue said, and the summes & are before referred, set, & rated to be levied & taken of the, & shal have such goods in custodie, as is before rehearsed. And the same person or persons, and body corporate, by the auctorite of this acte, shalbe discharged against him or them & shal, or ought to have the same, at the time of the payment, or deliverry therof, or at his other wise departure from & custody, or possession of the same. Excepted alwaies and forepysed from the charg and assessment of this relief, al goods, cattails, Jewelles, & ornaments of churches & chappelles, ordeyned & used in churches or chappelles, for devine service therein to be celebrated.

Also we the kings maiesties loving & obedient subjects, doe geue & graunt to your highnesse this, & to be paid in the same pere by every other person not borne under the kings obeisance, being denizen, or not denizen, other then women covert, souldiours, & such persons as be under thage of xii. peres, dwelling or resiant within this realme, or any other & kings dominions. And & said reliefs shalbe by auctoritie aforesayd, rated, assessed, & rated in the said yeare, in every shire, riding, lath, wapentanke, rape, citle, borough, towne, and every other place, within this realme of England, & wales, & other & kings dominions, in fourne following, that is to say, before the xx. day of January, which shalbe in the pere of our lord God. M D L. & the paymēt therof to be had, made, & paid at the receipt of the kings Exchequer, betwene the first day, & the xx. day of April, which shalbe in the pere of our lord God. M D L. And the summes abovesaid, of & for the said reliefs, shalbe rated, set, asked, & demanded, taken, gathered, levied & paid unto & vse of our said soveraigne lord, his heires & successors in fourne abovesaid, as wel in liberties, franchises, sanctuaries, ancient demesne, & other whatsoever place exempt, or not exempt, as withoute. Excepte suche shires, places, and persons, & as shalbe forepysed, in and by this present acte, any graunt,

charter, prescription, or libertie, by reason of any letters patents or
other privilege, prescription, or licence of any kind, or by reason of any
other matter of discharge heretofore to the contrary made, granted, or
letted, or obtained, notwithstanding. And it is further enacted, by the
authority of this present parliament, that every such person, as well such
as be borne under the kings obedience, as any other person shall
get born, denizen or not denizen, inhabiting within this realme or in
in wales or other the kings dominions, which at the time of the said
assessing or taxation to be had or made, shall be out of this realme or
out of wales, and have goods or cattails within this realme or in
wales, shall be charged and chargeable for the same, by the certificate of
the inhabitants of the parishes where such goods, cattails, or other the
premises then shall be, or in such other place, where such person, or his
factor, or deputy, or attorney shall have his most resort, unto, within
this realme or in wales, in like manner, as if the same person were
had been, at the time of the same assessment, within this realme, or
wales. And that every person abiding within this realme or in
wales, shall be charged and chargeable to the same relief,
granted by this act, according and after the rate of the value of his
substance, goods, and cattails, and other premises, as such person to be
charged, shall be set at, in the time of the said assessing or taxing, as the
to be made, and in none otherwise. And it is further enacted, by the
authority aforesaid, that all and every tax, rate, or assessment of the said
reliefs for goods, or for any former grant, or subsidy heretofore had, made, granted, or
taxed (excepted) excepted the said several reliefs, for sheep and cloth,
and either of the same, shall be taken, judged, or deemed of good force, full effect
to all intents, constructions, and purposes, and shall be lawfull and paid
to your highness accordingly. And it is further enacted, by the authority aforesaid, that the
lord chamberlain of England, or his deputy, of the great seal for
the time being, the commissioners in that behalf by the kings com-
mission to be appointed, and authorized, presentours, the person pre-
sented, chargeable, or taxed, collectors, perie collectors, barons
of the kings exchequer, auditors, and all every other person and
persons, mentioned in the said former act, of reliefs, shall by author-
tie of this present act, make, doe, execute, fill and carry, and
things, concerning the said reliefs granted by this present act, as
as contained, limited, and appointed to them by the said former act, of
reliefs for goods, and upon the prizes, fines, amerciaments, and
forfeitures, and in such and the same manner, manner, estate, and con-
dition, to all intents, constructions, and purposes, as they or any of
the or appointed might, should, or ought to doe, or execute, by
authority of the said former act, touching the reliefs for goods, and as
though

though any estate, article, sentence, or matter touching the said relief for goods, were
 to be set, touching or touching the said relief for goods, were
 specially & particularly intended, & mentioned in this present act so in
 it bounded always, & this grant of relief, nor any other thing there-
 in contained, do in any wise extend to charge & inhabitants of dwel-
 lers within Ireland, Bulloigne, & & courts of the same, Calice, Hames, Buisnes,
 & the marches of the same, Jerusalem, and Gernsey, Wil-
 derney, & Silley, or any of the, of, for, or concerning any goods, which
 the said inhabitants of dwellers, or any other to their use have within
 in Ireland, Bulloigne, & courts of the same, Calice, Hames, Buisnes,
 or other marches of the same, Jerusalem, Gernsey, & Wilderney, & Silley
 or in any of them.

It is bounded also that the said grant of relief, do not in any manner
 of wise extend, or be prejudicial or hurtful to the inhabitants, or resi-
 dences at this present time, within the five portes corporate, or to a-
 ny of their members in corporate, or bound to the same five portes, or
 to any of the same five portes, or to any of the inhabitants within the
 liberties of Somney marthe, of, or for any part or parcell of the sayed
 marthe, granted in this present parliament, of the said inhabitants
 goods, or any of the to be taxed, levied, or paid, but
 by the said inhabitants, & not by residents of the said portes of Somney
 marthe, & their members, & of every of them, be, & shalbe of, & fro the
 said grant a payment of the said relief, during their residence there
 and not longer, acquitted and discharged, any matter, or whatsoever
 thing in this present act, made, or hadde, to the contrary notwithstanding.

It is bounded also, that this present act of relief, ne any other thinge
 therein contained, extend to any of the English inhabitants, or resi-
 dants in any of the counties of Northumberland, Cumberland, West-
 merland, the towne of Barwike, & towne of Newcastle upon Tyne,
 & & Bishopricke of Durham, nor to any of them, of, for, or concerning
 any goods or catells, whiche the said inhabitants or dwellers, or any
 other to their use have within the sayd counties of Northumberland,
 Cumberland, & Westmerland, or the towne of Barwike, the towne
 of Newcastle upon Tyne, or the Bishopricke of Durham, or any of
 the, but that they, & every of the shalbe of, & for their goods lying and
 being in the said counties, towne, & Bishopricke, or of any of them,
 utterly acquitted & discharged, any thing in this present act to the con-
 trary notwithstanding.

It is bounded also, that this act ne any thing therein contained, shal
 extend to the goods of any college, hall, or house, within the
 liberties of Oxford, Cambridge, or any of them, or to the goods
 of the College of Wynton founded by Bishop Wicheham, or to the
 goods of any other college, hall, or house, within the liberties of the same.

goods of the Colledge of Eton next unto the goods of a
 my leader, or scholar within the said universities and colleges, or a-
 ny of them there remaining for studie, without fraude or coun, any
 thing in this act contained to the contrary in any wise nor withsta-
 nding, as aforesaid, and be it enacted by the auctorite aforesaid,
 that al and every collector, petis collector, and other person and
 persons that have leued, gathered, or received any summe or summes
 of money of any person or persons, for the reliefe of sheepe and cloth, or
 eyther of them, that before the last day of february next comminge,
 repay and deliuer to every such person and persons, his or their Ex-
 ecutors, or administrators, al & every the same summe and summes of
 money so by the or any of the receiued, with paine of forfeiture dou-
 ble the value of every such summe or summes of money so by them, or
 any of the receiued, & not repaid before & said last day of february,
 for the which forfeiture & paine given, that it may have his remedie
 by action of debt, bill, plaint or information, in any of the kinges
 court es of recorde, where no wager of law, attorne, or procees shall
 be allowed. And also, as aforesaid, and be it enacted by the said auctorite, that al and
 singular summes of money, as now be, or hereafter shalbe paid by any
 collector, or petis collector, or other person to the kinges use in his
 receipt, or else were, for the reliefes of sheepe and cloth, or eyther of
 them, shalbe deliuered, & repaid to the said collector, his executors,
 or administrators, & upon his, by their request in the said receipt,
 to the bles, and intents abovesaid, and that this act shalbe a sufficient
 warrant to the officers of the kinges receipt, to repay and deliuer the
 same to the said collector, his executors, or administrators without
 any farther, or other warrant to be sued for, to the kinges highnes in
 that behalfes. And also, as aforesaid, and be it enacted by the said auctorite, that
 this act of graunt of reliefe, shal not extend to any spiritual person or
 persons, for any of his, or their goods, or catteis: and so far as
 diuers and sundry the kinges maie dignitaries, and other the inha-
 bitants, & dwellers within the counties of Denbroke, Carmarthe,
 Cardigan, Glamorgan, Brecknocke, Radnor, Montgomery, Den-
 bigh, Flint, Merioneth, Anglesey, Carnarvan, & of the countie of Pa-
 bolis of the shire of Glamorgan, charged, & chargeable to
 the several paymets of diuers great summes of money by the name
 of a & due to his maie according to the several charters of &
 said counties, for & payment debted, diuers & sundry the gentles,
 and other inhabitants of the said counties, he, and stande bound to
 his highnes the king our soueraigne lord in therefore pleased, and
 contented, that it be provided, ordeined, and enacted by the auctorite
 aforesaid.

aforesaid, that this act or any thing therein contained, shal not extend to charge any of the kynges maiesties tenants, and other inhabitants, & dwellers wthin any of the said counties of Denbroke, Carmarthen, Cardigan, Glamorgan, Brecknocke, Radnor, Mountgomery, Denbigh, Flint, Merioneth, Anglesey, Carnaruan, & the countie of palantyne of Chester, beinge charged or chargeable with the saide Wille, for or wthin any of the payments of the sayd reliefe granted to the kynges maiestie by this acte or by the sayd former act, vntill the severall dayes, and tynes appointed, and graunted, for the payments of the said Willes shalbe expired. And the first payment of the saied reliefe graunted by this act, and the said former act, shal be made at the receipt of the kyngs Exchequer, before the first day of May the next following, after the day appointed for the latter payment to be made of the said Wille, & so yearly, before the first day of May, at the receipt of the saied Exchequer, vnto the sower severall paymers of the saied reliefe be fully made, in such, and like forme, and orde as is ordeined & appointed by this act, and by the sayd former act for the kynges subjects, concerninge the saied reliefe to be made at the receipt of the saied Exchequer, according to the tenour of this present act, & of the said former act.

This acte, and the said former act, or any thing
in them, or either of them contained,
to the contrary, in any wise
notwithstanding.

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using his loving, subtlety by many a feline bones
in a way that is as much a part of their lives as their

former time offended his higher, his laws,

his mastery by gods' presence, being replenished by the presence of nature, which is inclined to allure, provoke.

But, it appears (with his mother having a special trust, a confidence

comes to seeke a place, then in all occasions, and to the end of his
travels, to be his highwheeler, and to goe with the to doe, lest upon

enforced, and could attempt to produce his future justice, which to his
despondent and weary estate is further on the approach, and may not

gratias per dico beati gratias qui in terris habitant, et a diabolo delictum

by authoring of this perfect performance in man and forming fo-

It is usually his reputation for his work in England, he says, the fact that he has been working in the field of child abuse.

offices, the police, fire departments, and administrative of

most of the copper, the nickel, and the silver, and a young one, and a few others, but they are not as good as the others, and the others are not as good as the others.

there, she became the official girlfriend of the person parliament accused,
and she was also the one who told him about the huge bribe he had

heredity, diet alone, excretion, inflammation, blood vessel action.

first, seconded; thirdly, nullification; fourthly, forfeitures, penalties;

and all other things, gifts, offerings, incomes, judgments, and ex-

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ecutions, which may be, or can be by his highnesse in any wise or by any meanes pardoned or released or discharged, before, & vnto the xxii. day of January, in y^e yeare of our lord God 1552. cur. other the such as hereafter in this act be excepted & forepysed, in such maner & forme, & vnto suche tymes as the same be excepted, or forepysed in this act, and other then such as the clauses of p^{ro}uise hereafter mentioned, do, or doth extend vnto.

And also the kings highnes is further cōtēted, & pleased, that it be enacted by th^authoritie of this present parliament, that this his said general, & free pardon shalbe as good, and effectual in the law, to euery of his said subjects, bodie^s corporat & other before reherſed, and to euery of them by the said general wordes before reherſed in all thinges, which be not hereafter in this present act excepted or forepysed, nor cōtēined in any clause of p^{ro}uise hereafter mentioned, as that same pardon should be if al offences, contemptes, forſauours, causes, matters, suites, quarrels, iudgements, executions, penalties, and all other thinges not hereafter excepted, nor contained in any clause of p^{ro}uise hereafter mentioned, had ben particularly, singularly, specially, and plainly named, reherſed, and specified in this present acte, and also pardoned by proper and expresse wordes and names, in their kindes, natures and qualities, by wordes and termes thereunto requisite to haue bene put in, and expresse in this acte of free pardon. And that this said subjects, nor any of them nor theires, ex^{ec}utors, or administrators of any of them, nor any of the said bodie^s corporat, nor any other personnes, bodie^s polytike, or corporat before named, or any of them bee, nor shall bee sued, vexed, or inquieted, in their bodie^s, goodes, lands, or castles, for any manner matter, cause, contempt, misdemeanor, forſauore, trespass, offence, or any other thing, suffered, don, or committed agaynst his highnes, or his crowne, dignitie, prerogative, lawes or statutes, but only for, or concerning such matters, clauses, and offences, as be reherſed, or mentioned in the exceptions, or clauses of p^{ro}uise in this present acte hereafter mentioned, in such maner, and forme, as in the same exceptions, or clauses of p^{ro}uise bee mentioned, and for none other: In ye statutes, statutes, lawes, customes, byes, or p^{re}ſidentes heretofore hadde, made, or byed to the contrarye in anye wise notwithstanding. And that al and euery the kinges sayde subiectes, and all and singular bodie^s corporat, and other before reherſed, may by him or them selues, or by his or their deputy, or deputies, or by his or their attorney, or attorneys, accordinge to the lawes of this realme, plead & minis^{ter} this present acte of free pardon for his or their discharge, of and for euery thing that is by vertue of this present acte pardoned, discharged, grue or graunted, without any fee or other thing in any wise paying to any person or persons for writyng or entrie of the iudgment, or other cause concerning such

such plea, writing, or entrie, but only xli. s. to be paid to the officer, or clerke that shall enter the plea, matter, or iudgement, for the discharge of any party to pleading the same: any statute, law, or use to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And furthermore the kings highnes is pleased & contented, that it be enacted by authority of this present parliament, that this his said free pardon by the general words before rehearsed, shalbe reputed, demed, & iudged, allowed, & taken in all maner of courts, as elsewhere, as well in the wordes, & clauses of exceptions, & supplies specified in this present act, as in all, & singular other clause, word, & sentences mentioned & rehearsed in this his said free pardon most beneficially, & availably to all & singular his said subiettes, bodies corporate, & other before rehearsed, & to euery of them in all things ambiguous & doubtful, & most strongly in barre & discharge against his highnesse, his heires, successours, and executors in euery thing wherby obstacle, challenge or other delaye whatsoeuer it shalbe, to be made, pleaded, objected, or alleged by the king our soueraigne lord, his heires, successours or executors, or by his, or any of their general attorney, or attornies, or by any persone, or persons for his highnesse, or any of his heires, successours, or executors.

And furthermore, it is enacted by the king our Soueraigne lord, by the authority of this present parliament, that if any officer or clerke of any of his highnesse courts commonly called the kings bench, chancery, & commons place, or exchequer, or any other officer, or clerke of any other court within this realme, or islands, or other his highnesse dominions about mentioned, at any time after the last day of January, in the yeare of our Lord god 1549. make out, or writ out any manner of writs, or other proces, or any extractes, summons, or other preceses, whereby any of the said subiettes, or any of the said bodies corporate, or other before rehearsed, or any of them, shalbe in any wise arrested, attached, distrained, summoned, or otherwise vexed, inquieted or grieved in his, or their bodies, lands, tenements, goods, or chattels, or in any of them, for or because of any manner of thinge pardoned, or discharged by vertue of this act of free pardon, hee so offending, and therewith fully condemned, shal yelde and paye for the recompence thereof to the party so grieved, or offended, & his damages, the costs of his suite to be accompted, as part of the damages. And moreover, hee shal be liable all & singular such writs, proces, extractes, and preceses to be made, for, or upon any manner thinge pardoned, or discharged by the vertue of free pardons, shalbe utterly void and of none effect.

Except alwayes, & supplied out of this generall, a free pardon, all & all manner preceses, & writs, murder, & all and euery robbery committed or done in, or nere the high way, & all euery wilful burning of any house, or barn, with corne, and all & euery offence of burglary.

by the said bill, and doe it enacted by the authority of this present parliament, that all, and every person and persons, which tended to sue livery out of the kings handes; or that ought to sue any livery out of the kings handes; or that ought to sue any Ouster le maine of any manors, landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes, whatsoever they be, shall sue and be bound to sue, in their livery or luries, or Ouster le maine, of his or their manors, landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes, as they ought, or should have done, if this act of free pardon had never bene granted; and article, clause, or other sentence, act or actes, thing or things in this present act of free pardon compyled, or specified; to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And except, & excepted out of this free pardon, al, and singuler personne and personnes, being the xxij. day of January; in the yeare of our Lord God 1547. a prisoner or prisoners in the tower of London, in the fleete, in the Marshalse, or in any other prison, or in any house by the kings commaundment, or by the commaundment, or order of the Lordes of his privie counsaile, restrained, or straited fro libertie; other then such prisoner and prisoners, as are in any prison, only for felonious stealing of any goodes or cartels under the king, and value of xx. s. so that the same felonious taking of such goodes or cartels be not feloniously taken in, or nere any high way, nor in the dwelling house of any person in any night time, nor in any church, or chapel.

And also except out of this free pardon, al, and singuler person and personnes, which at any time before the said xxij. day of January, in the said yeare of our Lord God 1547. is, or ought to have been put to death, or in execution by vertue of any manner of judgement or judgement against him or them given.

And except, and excepted out of this free pardon, all, and all manner of treasons, done, committed, or perpetrated by any person or persons, in any of the parties beyond the sea, or in Scotland; or by any person or persons now being beyond the sea, or in Scotland; other then such treasons, or petty treasons, as have bene committed, perpetrated, or done, by any person being beyond the sea, or in Scotland; before the feast of Translation of our lord God that shall be in 7. years of our lord God 1547. And that come and make their returne, & repair in to the realm of England. And except, and excepted al, impetuous, punishment, forfeiture, paines of death, execution, judgement, for the same treasons, as aforesaid.

And furthermore, the kings maiesty of her speciall grace, and clemency is pleased and concerned, that it be enacted & established by the authority aforesaid, that all and singuler person and personnes being borne within the Realme of England, or in any of the kings dominions, and now being beyond the sea or in Scotland, which before

before the first day of November in the yere of our lord God 1549. did dye out of this realme of England, or any of the king's dominions, for any high treason, petit treason, misprision of treason, or for any felonie, or murder, or other crime, or offence by him or them committed, in any wise done, or perpetrated shall by vertue of this free pardon be clearly discharged, acquitted, and pardoned, of all and al manner of treasons, petit treasons, misprisions of treason, or other offences and crimes whatsoeuer done, committed or perpetrated, before the said first day of November, in the said yere of our lord God 1549. and of al manner of impositions, suites, penalties, forfeitures, and executions for the same. So that he or they do come, & make their retourne, & repaire into this realme of England, on this side the saied feast of Thassention of our lord God, in the said yere of our lord God 1549. And also our saied soueraigne lord the king by vertue of this act, & by his authoritie abovesaid, doth giue authoritie & licence to all, & euery of the said person and persons being beyond the sea, or in Scotland, to retourne, & repaire into this realme of England, & other his dominions before the saie feast of Thassention of our lord God 1549.

Provided alwaies, and be it enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that it shalbe lawfull to all, and euery clerke, and other officer of any of the kinges courtes, to whom it apperteyneth, without anie forfeiture, loss, or punishment for the same, to awarde & make writtes of *Capias* & *uagatum*, at the suit of the partie plaintife against anie person or persons being outlawed in any action or suit, to the entent to compele the person or persons so outlawed, to make answer to the plaintife or plaintifes at whole suit, as they were or was outlawed. And also that euery person or persons now being outlawed shalbe bounden to sue a *Scire facias* against the partie or parties at whole suit, her or they were, or was outlawed, or their executors, or administrators before such time as the person or persons so outlawed shal take any advantage of his free pardon, concerninge his, or their outlawrie.

And the king our Soueraigne Lord is contented and pleased to graunt by authoritie abovesaid, it shalbe lawfull to all, & singuler Archbishops & bishops of this realme of England, and Wales, to discharge out of prison, and set at libertie al, & singuler those persons beinge in prison in their custodie, or in the custody of any of them, as clerks convicted or convicted, which be pardoned by this act of free pardon without any further act, or suite to be made for allowance of this pardon or other wise, any act of parliament, law, usage, custome, or other thing to the contrarie in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided alwaies that this acte of generall & free pardon, or anie thing therein contained, extend not to John North of Epslyham in the county

countie of Kent: any thing to the contrary in any writte
notwithstanding. **Item** it is enacted by the authority aforesaid, that
no pardon shall be made by the authority aforesaid, of any
act of free pardon, that shall not extend to any person or persons, which
at any time heretofore have offended in these heresies, & erroneous
opinions hereafter ensuing, that is to say, that infants ought not to
be baptized, & if they be baptized, they ought to be rebaptized when
they come to lawfull age. That it is not lawfull for a Christian man to
beare office or rule in the common wealthe. That no man is to be
ought to be obeyed, & it is not lawfull for a Christian man to take an othe be-
fore any Judge, that Christ take no bodily substance of our blessed
Lady: That sinners after baptism cannot be restored by repentance.
That all things be or ought to be common, and nothing private.
Item it is enacted by the authority aforesaid, that
this act of free pardon, of any thing therein contained, shall not in any
wise extend, or be in any wise beneficiall, or take effect to any such
person or persons, that at any time within the year of Easter last past
hath, or have made any rebellion, or vniuersall commotion in any part
of this realme, or in Wales, which at any time within the xx. day of
June last past, hath, or have comenced, or died, and after the last day
of February next coming will follow, or cometh, or that at any time
hereafter, shall comence, or be in proper person, or by his, or their at-
tourney authorized, and to sue, & follow any manner of appellation,
touching the death of any such rebellious person or persons, the may-
ning, or beating of any, or of the said rebellious person or persons, or any
bill, or bills, writs, or writs of execution, or detinue, or action, or any case
against any person or persons, that did serve the kinges Maiestie in
or for the subduing of the said rebellious persons, or for, or concerning
the taking away, or withholding of the goods, or of cattels of a-
ny of the said rebellious persons, or of for, or concerning any other
act, or acts personal, done or executed in the commotion time to any
of the said rebellious persons, by any person or persons that
serued the king in the commotion time, in the subdu-
ing of the said rebellious persons betweene
the said xx. day of June, & the first day
of November last past. **God save the king.**
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TANNO QVINTO ET
SEXTO EDVARDI

Actes made
in the Session of this present
parliament, holden upon prorogation, at
Westminster the xij. daye of Janua-
rye, in the fifth yere of the reigne of
our most dread soueraigne Lord, Ed-
ward the vi. by the grace of god, King
of England, France, and Ierland, de-
fender of the faith, and of the Church of
England and Ireland, in earth the fel-
lowe heade, and there continued and
kept till the xij. day of April, in the
vi. yere of the reigne of our
said soueraigne Lord,
as followeth.
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